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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Tram Dispute

DESPITE the welcome move by the Tramway Company last week offering to submit the present dispute with the union to an impartial tribunal set up by Government, there seems to be little prospect of an early settlement. A wide gulf separates the company and the union view as to what should be investigated. In an ambiguous reply to the company's proposals yesterday the union revealed it has not accepted (though it has not completely rejected, either) the idea of a tribunal. So far as it is concerned it desires investigation of, among other things, the reinstatement of the 31 dismissed employees which the company considers is an attempt to interfere with the right of the employer to "hire and fire". Where there is no injustice involved an employer cannot accept dictation on this question and its stand is perfectly reasonable. There is therefore no question of discussing the reinstatement of the men as far as the company is concerned. However it believes the tribunal should inquire into the circumstances of the present "agitation" by the union including the circumstances under which recognition was withdrawn in 1950. It has even suggested broadening the inquiry to include all questions relating to the welfare and treatment of staff which has rather foolishly been questioned by the disgruntled employees. Certainly they can expect little fraternal comfort on this latter question in view of the company's excellent staff welfare record, even though the suggestion of victimisation may win a few sympathetic ears among fellow unionists.

THERE is another aspect to be considered: the composition of the tribunal. The company has in mind an impartial body. It cannot therefore include either members of the parties at dispute who are bound to be biased in their approach to this question. The union feels the tribunal should be formed on the lines of a round-table arbitration conference at which the union, the company, the Government and members of the general public are represented. Clearly therefore there is another wide gulf separating the two parties and until their respective views are reconciled, Government will be unable to commence investigations. The present attitude of the union appears to be that it is unwilling to close the door on the company's offer to have the dispute investigated. But it cannot afford to lose prestige in the eyes of its fellow unions and it persists in pressing its own demands. If the Chinese Reform Association is representative of the union's view, opposition to the tribunal is also based on the ground that it "will take too long to present its report". This is an extraordinary attitude to take and surely the establishment of the Court of Inquiry in the recent British dock dispute contradicts this view. With goodwill on both sides, the tribunal investigation could be treated as a matter of urgency and an interim report should be possible well within a fortnight of its establishment. The findings of the Tribunal envisaged by the company could enforce no orders on either party but at least it would provide a detached and disinterested assessment of the situation for the public consideration. And it would be unwise for the union to persist in its present stand of refusing investigation—for it is only weakening its own position in the eyes of the public.

U.S. Elections Latest:

DEMOCRATS MAKE EARLY GAINS

First Votes Show Slight Swing Against Govt.

REPUBLICANS BEATEN IN NEW YORK STATE

Washington, Nov. 2.

The Democrats appeared to be leading in the early count of votes for a new House of Representatives in the Congressional elections today.

There appears to be no decisive trend as yet in the voting for 37 new Senators.

An important indication of the swing towards the Democrats was the election of Mr Averall Harriman to the Governorship of New York State. His election ends a 12-year-old rule of this state by the Republicans.

Latest figures for the House of Representatives as supplied by the United Press show that in early counting, 87 Democrats have been elected and seven Republicans. In other contests, Republicans were leading in 30 seats and the Democrats in 23. At present the Republicans hold 218 seats and the Democrats 212.

In the Senate, the Democrats had won eight seats and the Republicans one. Republicans and Democrats were both leading in seven states.

Thirty-three Republican senators and 24 Democrats are not standing for election. The present Senate strength is Republican 49, Democrat 46.

The Columbia Broadcasting System's mechanical brain "Univac" tonight predicted a 20-seat Democratic majority in the House of Representatives on the basis of early election returns.

The machine correctly forecast President Eisenhower's election from early results.

Univac gave the assessment after early election results had been fed in.

The machine forecast that in the House of Representatives, the Democrats would hold about 299 seats in the next Congress to about 135 Republican seats.

In the Senate, Univac said the Democrats would have about 56 seats while the Republicans would hold about 39.

COLD WET WEATHER

Americans went to the polls in unexpectedly large numbers today in spite of the cold wet weather in many areas.

Voting in practically all urban areas from New York to Los Angeles was reported to be unexpectedly heavy for a non-presidential election year.

In New York State, the turnout was strong in most cities and in rural areas as well, and six hours after the polls had opened, about 40 per cent of the registered voters in the cities had cast their ballots.

The percentage in rural districts appeared somewhat less but was described generally as running from "normal" to "heavy".

Republican Party Headquarters in Washington saw in the unexpectedly heavy early polling a favourable omen for victory.

The first returns of any consequence came from normally Republican Kansas. Three first returns rent Republican candidates for Governor and Senator into the lead.

DEMOCRATS' LEAD

The Democrats took an early but deceptive lead in the elections but this was because a number of their candidates were unopposed

Four of their Senators and 59 of their candidates for the House of Representatives did not have to fight for their seats. Only one Republican candidate for the House was unopposed.

Most of the Democrat "walk-overs" were in the traditionally solid south.

The few scattered returns which had come in by mid-afternoon produced no surprises. Senator Leverett Saltonstall carried two Massachusetts towns, Mount Washington and Gosnold, which as usual voted Republican.

EVEN SPLIT

Tabulation of a handful of absentee ballots in New Jersey showed them split almost evenly between the two parties.

Unofficial returns from twelve scattered districts in Denver produced the expected picture with Democrats in the lead for the Senate and Governorship.

The Voice of America reported that Senators Lyndon B. Johnson (D. Texas), Estes Kefauver, (D. Tennessee), Richard B. Russell (D. Georgia), Andrew F. Schoeppel (R. Kansas), Allen Frear Jr (D. Delaware) were re-elected. Alben Barkley, formerly Democratic Vice-President was headed for "sure victory" for the Kentucky Senate seat.

Democrat Joseph B. Johnson was elected Governor of Vermont and "Big Jim" Folsom (Democrat) was elected Governor of Alabama.

President Eisenhower said "those who believe in the Republican cause will win despite temporary setbacks."

The President made this statement when told that Democrat Averall Harriman had beaten Republican Irving M. Ives for the Governor of New York.

Mr Thomas Dewey, present Governor, did not stand for re-election.—All agencies.

10 P.M. LATEST

At 10 p.m. New York Time the state of the parties in the U.S. elections was:—

Senate: Republicans 35, Democrats 32. House: Republicans 13, Democrats 103.—Reuter.

Janet Jagan Gets New Gaol Term

Georgetown, Nov. 2.

Janet Jagan, Secretary of the People's Progressive Party, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment today by a magistrate, Mr Sydney Miller, who found her and seven other Party members guilty of holding an illegal procession last April.

Mrs Jagan is now serving a three-month sentence for holding an illegal meeting following the dismissal of an appeal against her conviction by the Appeal Court.

In court today, Mrs Jagan met her husband, Dr Cheddi Jagan, the deposed Chief Minister of British Guiana, who was discharged from prison on September 12 after serving about five months of his six months' sentence for violating the Governor's order restricting him to Georgetown.

They chatted at the back of the court in the presence of a policewoman before Mrs Jagan left for prison.

Two PPP leaders, Martin Carter and Rory Westmass, and another defendant were fined $120 (West Indies) (about £25) but refused to pay the fine, electing to serve a two-month prison term.

Police submitted evidence to show that the defendants held a procession outside police headquarters where Dr Jagan was being held in custody in April.—Reuter.

'I Know I've Been Sticking My Neck Out'

Sir Alexander Grantham Replies To His Critics

From Our New York Correspondent

Sir Alexander Grantham, Governor of Hongkong, means to go on saying what he thinks about Communist China right up to the moment he leaves San Francisco to return to his post next week. And Sir Alexander believes the West must now come to terms with Mao's Communist Government.

He made this clear in an exclusive interview with Donald Ludlow, our New York Correspondent.

A too outspoken diplomat? "Not at all," said the Governor. "I have been in the East seven years and have seen what is going on. People — Americans and British—have got to learn to face facts."

Sir Alexander, tall, dapper, twinkling-eyed, who has been in America since September 20 on a lecture tour that has carried him from New York to Los Angeles, has become a TV star for his blunt, outspoken views.

ATTLEE CRITICISM

His criticism of the Attlee visit to China started the first furore. Since then he has been chiding the United States for its refusal to recognise Communist China and declaring that he sees a split coming between China and Russia, "but I won't say when."

Sir Alexander Grantham continued: "And Americans, though they may not agree with me, seem to enjoy hearing the other side of the case. My most popular speech has been one in which I have told them of some of the advantages Britain has derived from recognising China.

"At least we have kept contact with Mao's regime and not pushed it further into Russia's arms. When I was asked to talk on this subject I cabled the Foreign Office.

"Fortunately, my views agree with theirs but I should have given my own opinions anyway. Two other prickly questions have been the admission of Red China to the United Nations and the ultimate fate of Formosa."

FORMOSA VIEW

"I have been telling them again and again that Red China can never be allowed to fight her way into the United Nations but once she has proved her peaceful intentions then she should be admitted.

"As for Formosa, in my view it must ultimately go back to whatever Government is in power in China, Communist, Nationalist or anything else."

Then, with a grin, he added, "I know I've been sticking my neck out but I feel sure I have helped to bring about a better understanding of British Far Eastern policy."

Sir Alexander leaves for Hongkong on November 7.—London Express Service.

U.N. To Debate Soviet Charges

United Nations, Nov. 2.

The General Assembly Steering Committee voted today without dissent to recommend a full United Nations debate on Soviet charges of aggression and piracy against the United States and Nationalist China.

The Soviet Union charged the U.S. with Formosa-based aggression against Red China and alleged that Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist government is guilty of piracy against shipping in the China seas.

The U.S. delegate, Mr James Wadsworth, said: "The U.S. has no objection to a full discussion of the charges raised by the delegation of the Soviet Union. We are confident that the discussion as it develops in committee will be in the nature of a complete and clear resolution of the subject matter that has been raised. The true motivation of the charge is something about which one can only conjecture. Similarly, a debate, when it is carried on, is the only fair way in which the charges can be evaluated in the light of truth." — United Press.

Big Typhoon Heads For Formosa

Tokyo, Nov. 3.

Typhoon "Pamela" accompanied by winds of up to 175 miles an hour churned slowly towards Formosa today and weather experts said the storm was becoming "more critical."

Latest reports said the typhoon was located about 575 miles south of Okinawa moving north-west towards Formosa at the slow rate of four to five miles per hour.

Weather experts said that because of the storm's slow movement it was difficult to forecast its future course.

The storm extending about 400 miles across could do one of three things, forecasters said. It could recurve and miss all populated areas, it could hit Formosa or it could hit Okinawa.

Air Force weather reconnaissance planes flew near the typhoon at 10,000 feet today and clocked winds of nearly 100 miles per hour.—United Press.

Red China Envoy To Meet Eden

London, Nov. 2.

The new charge d'affaires of the Chinese People's Republic, Mr Huan Hsiang, has asked to present his credentials to Sir Anthony Eden, the British foreign secretary, tomorrow evening.

Mr Huan Hsiang, who is the first diplomatic representative of the Chinese People's Republic to England, will not present his credentials to the Queen. That ceremony is reserved for diplomatic representatives of ambassadorial rank and for plenipotentiary ministers only.—France-Presse.

West Berlin Candidate Crosses To East Zone

Berlin, Nov. 2.

A Refugee Party candidate for the West Berlin City elections has gone over to East Germany, the East German news agency, ADN, said today.

The man, Guenther Sacher, 31, said in a statement published by ADN that he had broken with the Refugee Party "after seeing through its policy" and called on West Berliners to vote for the Communist Party, which is contesting the West City elections for the first time since 1946.

The Refugee Party is in the West German coalition government but is not represented in the West Berlin City Government.—Reuter.

EDEN'S WARNING TO ARAB STATES

London, Nov. 2.

Sir Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, made it clear in the House of Commons tonight that Britain would aid Israel if she was attacked by an Arab state.

He was answering points raised in a House of Commons debate on Middle East affairs.

Mr Hugh Dalton, who summed up the debate for the opposition, had said there was deep concern about the risk of a "second round" war between Israel and some, if not all, of the Arab states.

He thought it was up to the British Government to "take a firm and clear line in relation to the risks."

'CERTAINLY'

The Foreign Secretary said he had been asked whether the terms of the 1950 declaration by Britain, the United States and France (safeguarding the present Middle Eastern frontiers) bound Britain to go to the help of Israel if attacked by an Arab state.

He said the answer was "certainly."

The 1950 declaration definitely bound Britain to go to the help of Israel if she was attacked by an Arab State.

"Not only does it bind us, but the United States and France as well and in exactly the same way whether it is Israel or an Arab state."

NO OBLIGATION

Under the agreement just reached with Egypt for the withdrawal of British troops, there was no obligation at all in respect of a conflict with Israel.

Britain was only obliged to go to Egypt's aid if she was invaded by a power outside the Middle East. Israel was excluded in the definition of an outside power.

He also said "Egypt is acting unlawfully in stopping shipping along the Canal."

Referring to arms deliveries about which Mr Herbert Morrison, a former Labour Foreign Secretary, had expressed concern, Sir Anthony Eden said "We shall continue to keep a balance between Israel and the Arab States collectively."

The last thing he wanted was an arms race in that part of the world, he said.

There was no vote as the motion on which the debate took place was a procedural one (for the adjournment of the House). — Reuter & United Press.

(See Also P4)

Tram Company's Comment On Union Reply

The Tramway Workers' Union reply to the Hongkong Tramway Company's proposal for a Government appointed impartial tribunal to inquire into the circumstances leading to the present "agitation" by the union appeared to be 'no', the Manager of the Company, Mr C. S. Johnston, said this morning.

"We have made an offer and they have turned it down," he said.

He was asked to comment on the reply made to his proposals by Mr Chen Iu-choy, Chairman of the union, last night.

He added that much was said in answer to the company's proposals, but from what he understood, the reply was in the negative.

(See Today's 'Comment')

Red Air Attacks On Tachen

Nationalist Assurance To Mr Dulles

Washington, Nov. 2.

The Chinese Nationalist Foreign Minister, Mr George Yeh today told the Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, that the Nationalist Government, defending itself against Communist air and artillery attacks on the Tachen Island, has not "taken any action that might be construed as offensive."

Mr Yeh told reporters after a 55-minute interview with Mr Dulles that he had reported on the Communist attack on the Tachens, Nationalist-held islands off the coast of the Red mainland about 200 miles northwest of Formosa.

The Nationalist Ambassador to Washington, Dr Wellington Koo, who accompanied Mr Yeh, said Russian MiG fighters coming south from Shanghai were being used in the attack on the Tachens. He said that in the attack "24 people were killed, 70 wounded on one of the islands and the casualties were not confined to the military."

He said the presence of MIG's in the attack "was definitely established by intelligence reports a few days ago."

The Communists, in addition to the onslaught against the Tachens, were attacking small islands just to the north of the Tachens.

He declined to predict whether the air and artillery attacks might be the prelude to a Communist attempt to seize the Tachens.

"However, they obviously want to keep up their probing and we are confining ourselves to retaliation."

Radio Peking said today Communist warplanes bombed the Nationalist island of Yichiangshin on Tuesday.

According to a Peking broadcast, two hill positions and other military targets were destroyed, it claimed.

Yichiangshin is about 11 miles north-west of Tachen Island which the Communists bombed on Monday for the first time.—United Press.

Blackout On Formosa

Taipei, Nov. 2.

A total blackout lasting 45 minutes was imposed throughout Formosa tonight, after radar had spotted an unidentified plane 42 miles north of Taipei, the Nationalist capital.

The aircraft came no nearer.—Reuter.

Commonwealth Premiers To Meet Early Next Year

From The Times Diplomatic Correspondent

London, Nov. 2.

There will be a Commonwealth Premiers' Conference in London towards the end of January.

Although there has been no official announcement of the conference yet in London it may be assumed that final arrangements are on the point of completion. They may be delayed however in view of the political changes in Pakistan.

In any general exchange of views it may be assumed that relations with China will play a prominent part. There is no doubt also that the possibility of a further conference on Korea will be discussed.

The somewhat thorny problem of the Southeast Asia pact will also certainly be discussed.

LESS CRITICAL

It is most unlikely that Mr Nehru will change his attitude radically but Indian representatives, aware of growing forces of China, are likely to be at least progressively less critical of the defensive arrangements in Southeast Asia by Commonwealth and other non-Communist countries.

On the strategic side, the implications of nuclear warfare will be considered for their effect upon Inter-Commonwealth defensive strategy. At present it is still generally assumed that on the outbreak of war, large bodies of troops might be moved from one Commonwealth country to another, or at least to distant fighting zones.

Such commitments may well be widely out-of-date and the conference will provide an opportunity for reconsideration of military preparation and commitments between some of the Commonwealth countries.—The Times News Service. (Copyright)

Little Hope Of Establishing Peace In The Middle East

Here is the latest picture of screen star Elizabeth Taylor — wife of Michael Wilding — with her young son, Michael Howard. It has just been announced that Elizabeth is expecting another baby in the New Year.—Express Photo.

London, Nov. 2.

Mr Anthony Nutting, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, warned today there could be little hope of establishing conditions of peace and toleration in the Middle East as long as incidents continued between Israel and the Arab states.

He was opening the House of Commons debate on Middle East affairs.

Mr Nutting said: "The problem of Arab-Israel relations overhangs a large part of the Middle East today. Of the problems awaiting settlement it is among the most difficult."

Mr Nutting said that on the Israel-Jordan border there had been considerable improvement in the situation, but the problem of Arab refugees was increasing rather than decreasing.

ESSENTIAL STEP

Turning to the British agreement with Egypt under which British troops will leave the Suez Canal bases, Mr Nutting said: "It is an essential step in rebuilding peace and stability in the Middle East".

He added: "There is nothing in this agreement which could fairly give rise to anxiety on the part of Israel."

Mr Nutting said that since the agreement with Egypt, reports from the Middle East agreed that "British prestige had very considerably been raised."

He added: "Conclusion of this agreement marks the first occasion upon which a postwar Egyptian Government has recognised that Egypt cannot be a neutral onlooker in a conflict involving Turkey."

Mr Nutting said the suggestion that Britain could have got better terms from the Egyptians 18 months ago was quite wrong. "Exercising patience we have been able to get the inclusion of Turkey in the reactivation clause," he said.

(The clause in the agreement stipulates that the Suez base can be reoccupied by British troops if any of the Arab states or Turkey is attacked by a foreign power).

On the new agreement over Persian oil with a consortium of eight European and American companies marketing it for Persia, Mr Nutting said: "We have, I believe, settled a dispute of long standing which impaired British and Persian interests and was another dangerous cause of instability in the whole of the Middle East.

ANGLO-PERSIAN RELATIONS

"We have restored our relations with Persia on their traditional basis of friendship and co-operation".

Mr Nutting concluded: "There is a lot of work to be done if we are to restore peace and build up unity and stability throughout the whole area. We and our partners will continue our efforts to this end.

"The Arab-Israel dispute is still the main source of weakness and divisions but there are elements of growing strength.

"The new Turkish-Pakis ani defence agreement is an asset to the defence and security of the Middle East but there is need for further progress and co-ordination in every field."—Reuter.

Nehru Convinced China Wants Peace

Calcutta, Nov. 2.

Mr Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, told a mass rally here today on his return from China: "I am convinced the people and government—of China want peace."

The Chinese were busy constructing their country and working hard to get rid of poverty, he said.

"But how can I guarantee what will happen afterwards?" Mr Nehru said, adding: "After all, trust begets trust, and love begets love."

The Indians had a fifty-year history of non-violent struggle behind them but if they expected others to follow that example "we may go entirely wrong though he may be right in certain cases. Every nation after all is built on its past history."

INFLUENCE FUTURE

His visit would influence the future of India and China and might influence the rest of the world, he said.

India and China had historical associations "and we have got to preserve and strengthen our friendship," he said.

"My visit to China confirmed my imaginary impressions and the picture I had drawn in my mind of that gigantic country some time ago.

"My historic visit was prompted by a strong urge in me to discover that great country which has had thousands of years of unbroken cultural and historic associations with India."

With the subjugation of a great part of Asia by foreigners, India developed ties with the countries of Europe while those with her neighbours, like Afghanistan, were snapped. India established cultural links with Europe, learned English—though the learning of anything was not bad—but moved away from her own neighbours.

Indians could talk about the history and literature of the countries of Europe but knew hardly anything about Indonesia.

After independence, India turned again towards her neighbours.

Mr Nehru said there were undoubtedly differences in the political structures of India and China.

"In India, we have a Parliament in the centre with legislatures in the states which guarantees regional autonomy.

"But in China, any decision taken by the central government is the nation's decision and is accepted all over the country."

While newspapers in India freely criticised the Government which was also criticised in Parliament or in the State assemblies, Mr Nehru said, in China, there was little scope for opposition and the newspapers did not criticise the Government.

When in China, he got world news through the Indian Embassy.

LITTLE KNOWLEDGE

People there seemed to know little or nothing about what was happening in the outside world.

Mr Nehru hastened to add: "I am not criticising them. I can well understand their position. They had to go through a long period of turmoil.

"It is also their responsibility not to criticise our actions."

Referring to the five principles of peaceful co-existence and non-interference affirmed by India and China three months ago, Mr Nehru said they were the best principles on which neighbours could live in peace.

Of different form of government and attitude to the press, Mr Nehru declared: "China has as much right as we have in India to follow her own system."

IDENTICAL AIMS

China and India, he said, appeared identical in their aims—to establish and strengthen peace and direct the people's energies into the gigantic task of national reconstruction in an attempt to keep pace with the more advanced nations.

He thought the international situation might change with the recognition of China by other nations.

They also knew that the days of solving international problems by resorting to war were over, Mr Nehru stated.

The peoples of India and China knew that in the present age, war between countries could bring nothing short of the extinction of the human race.

In a general reference to atomic bombs, he said they were sure signs of a nation's strength but he added that in the unity of a nation lay its ultimate strength.—Reuter.

Headmaster Offers Explanation

Victoria, B.C., Nov. 2.

Mr G. P. Kaye, Headmaster of the Shawinigan Lake Boys School, said today a "secret wedding" led to the controversy involving the Jamaica bride who said she was forced to leave the exclusive Vancouver Island School because of her colour.

In an eight-point statement setting out what the school said were the true facts on the case, Mr Kaye said school teacher John Hewitt married the former Dorothy Holtz in a secret ceremony after school officials refused to participate in a mixed marriage.

Mrs Hewitt left the school four days after the wedding and returned to Jamaica, charging she had been asked to leave "before the boys came back and see a coloured person here."

Mr Kaye denied today that the controversy was one of colour.

NOT RACIAL

"This issue was never one of race discrimination or colour bar, but solely that of a mixed marriage," he said, adding that the school feared controversy as a result of such a marriage.

Mr Hewitt advised the school last June of his intention to marry, Mr Kaye said, but school officials did not learn the marriage involved mixed blood until Miss Holtz arrived on August 29.

Mr Kaye said that Mr Hewitt decided to postpone the wedding at the end of August, but instead, the couple was secretly married on September 7. Mr Kaye said he did not learn of the wedding until he read newspaper reports.

"As a matter of school administration," the Headmaster said, "it was impracticable that Miss Holtz continue living alone in a school house after the commencement of the term on September 10.

"Had Mr Hewitt informed the headmaster of his marriage before Miss Holtz's departure, their right to live together would have been indisputable."

RETURNED TO JAMAICA

Mr Kaye added that when Miss Holtz decided to return to Jamaica—four days after the secret wedding—he urged that Mr Hewitt accompany her and offered funds for the trip so they could discuss the matter with the bride's father, the Accountant-General of Jamaica.

Mr Hewitt, a science teacher, flew to Jamaica recently to join his wife. He sent back his resignation, saying he would return only to pick up his belongings. The couple is scheduled to arrive at Vancouver tomorrow.

Mr Kaye's decision to issue a statement came after Mrs Hewitt refused to sign one retracting her earlier charges of racial discrimination. The headmaster said earlier there was a possibility the school might take legal action to regain the money it gave Mr Hewitt to fly to Jamaica and supposedly bring his wife back to the school.—United Press.

New Aircraft

San Diego Calif., Nov. 2.

The Convair Converti plane, built for the United States Navy, made its first level flight today, its manufacturers announced.

It took off straight up and levelled off to fly forward, then made an easy landing after a 21-minute flight at Brown Naval Auxiliary Air Station near here. The fighter is designated XFY-1 by the Navy.

Converti plane can take off and land vertically like a helicopter, yet it can fly forward at good speed like an aircraft. No announcement was made of the forward speed reached by the XFY-1 today.—Reuter.

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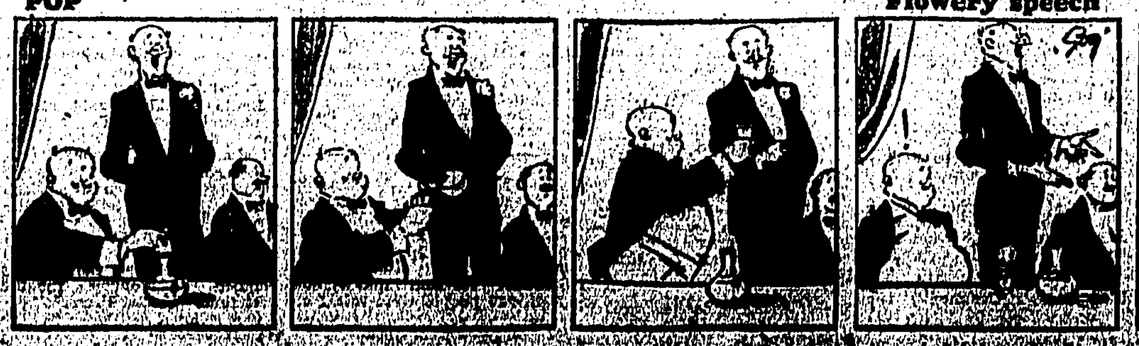


Flowery speech

TERRORISM IN ALGERIA

4 Principles Adopted By United Nations

New York, Nov. 2.

Four principles designed to guide the United Nations if it takes military, political or economic action against any future aggression were approved today by the Political Committee of the General Assembly. They were contained in a report approved by 50 votes to five — the Soviet group countries — with India and Indonesia abstaining. The four principles were:

1. That the [illegible] number of nations should make prompt and effective military, political, economic or financial contribution to the collective effort in accordance with their constitutional processes.

2. In the event of collective action against aggression [illegible] recommended a primary object shall be to secure the maximum contribution of effective military forces.

To this end, nations should also help by providing logistic support to other nations willing to contribute but unable to do so and to provide the necessary rights of passage through or over their territory.

3. That the United Nations should take all appropriate steps to make effective any action taken by collective self-defence or regional arrangements in conformity with the United Nations Charter.

4. That collective economic and financial measures against aggression should include where appropriate, all practicable assistance to the victim of aggression and to co-operating states.

Mr V K Krishna Menon of India said India was abstaining because "my delegation believes that collective measures in order to be effective have to be collective."

SECTIONAL MEASURES

Such measures must not be "sectional measures" and must be preceded by the conclusion that there was "collective will."

India also believed that at the present time it was particularly "inopportune" to stress a military aspect of the United Nations when all people of the world were looking for peace.

Mr Menon said that in the interest of lowering world tensions the United Nations should turn its attention to "peace measures" rather than collective security.

"Collective security lies in collective peace. There can be no security except the security of all."

The Committee then approved the resolution and adjourned without setting a definite date for its next meeting.

The next item on its agenda is the United States proposal on international co-operation in developing the peaceful use of atomic energy.—Reuter.

Pope Pius XII

Pope Talks With His Cardinals

Vatican City, Nov. 2.

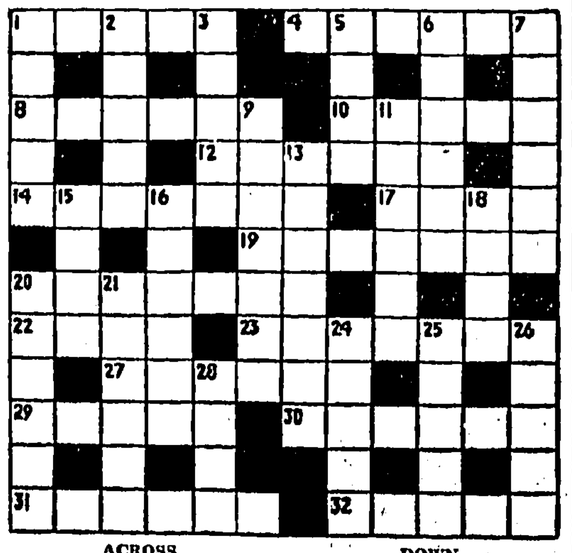
Pope Pius XII spent more than an hour today in intimate conversation with the Cardinals, Archbishops and Bishops who came to Rome for yesterday's solemn ceremony of the "Queenship" of the Virgin Mary.

The 78-year-old Pope, looking frail after the exertions of yesterday, circulated freely in the Hall of the Consistory after addressing the 643 churchmen who attended the meeting. Pope Pius spoke for 40 minutes in Latin on the "Pastoral Government of Souls."

Twenty-five Cardinals and 218 Archbishops and Bishops were among those who heard the Pope speak and after the address the pontiff stepped down from his throne to talk with them. Pope Pius drove 15 miles from Castel Gandolfo for the meeting with the high prelates today just as he did for yesterday's ceremony in which he proclaimed the Virgin Mary "Queen of Heaven and Earth."

Immediately after the meeting, he drove back to the lakeside village in the Alban Hills in his black old-style Cadillac and with a small police escort.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1 Englishman in India (5).
4 Flared (6).
8 Equine gait (6).
10 Accumulate (5).
12 Cunning (6).
14 Slim (7).
17 Solitary (4).
19 Splendid (7).
20 Venerated (7).
22 Parched (4).
23 Loathing (7).
27 Be contrite (6).
29 Dodge (5).
30 Yawning (6).
31 Ghosts (6).
32 Occurrence (5).

DOWN

1 Symbols (5).
2 Bisect (5).
3 Wide (5).
5 Bread (4).
6 Ardent supporter (6).
7 Scatter (6).
9 Go before (7).
11 Meditating (6).
13 Buying and selling (7).
15 Sly smile (4).
16 Necessary (6).
18 Damsel (4).
20 Birds (6).
21 Harridan (6).
24 Condition (5).
25 Join (5).
26 Taut (5).
28 Summit (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Estrange, 8 Real, 9 Deserted, 11 Provides, 13 Lead, 15 Imitators, 18 Terminus, 19 Stem, 21 Agitates, 25 Chapters, 26 Drug, 27 Sediment, Down: 1 Prop, 2 Dado, 4 Shed, 5 Rues, 6 Nitre, 7 Eided, 9 Divot, 10 Sewer, 12 Remit, 14 Haste, 16 Verve, 17 Sheet, 18 Gates, 20 Eland, 21 Atoms, 22 Iron, 23 Term, 24 Page.

French Fly In Troops And Security Police

CALM RETURNING

Algiers, Nov. 2.

Parachutists, security police and mobile guards streamed into Algiers from France today as the French Government moved with swift determination to stamp out terrorism in the North African territory.

Relative calm returned to the country last night after the two-hour romp by terrorist bands which struck at police and army posts early on Monday morning, killing at least eight, wounding about ten others and causing million [illegible] worth of damage.

Armed men patrolled the streets of Algiers and kept guard at the entrances to public buildings. Police and army radio cars kept vigil at possible trouble points. The companies of security guards, about 600 men, were flown in hurriedly from France yesterday. They have already been sent to the wild hilly country south of Constantine, where Monday's attacks were concentrated.

One battalion of parachutists landed here, three more were tonight standing by to move, and two other battalions will leave France on Friday.

A contingent of 300 mobile guards with full equipment landed at Bone from Marseilles yesterday and set off immediately for the trouble spots.

Only minor incidents were reported during the night when terrorists made three unsuccessful attempts to fire buildings.

MAINTAINING PRESSURE

But they were still maintaining pressure on the mountain town of Arris, south of Constantine, to which two armed French columns fought their way yesterday.

The town was in the hands of the terrorists for some hours until security forces overcame resistance at blocks thrown across the approach roads.

The sudden and violent outbreak after a long period of calm has caused consternation in both France and Algeria. In contrast to the neighbouring territories of Tunisia and Morocco, Algeria—regarded as part of metropolitan France—has been almost trouble-free for about two years.—Reuter.

AMERICAN AID FOR PERSIA

Washington, Nov. 2.

The United States announced today that it was offering Persia $127,300,000 (about £45,407,000) in loans and grants to tide the country's economy over while its oil industry was being brought back to full production.

Resumption of Persia's oil business is expected to yield more than $400,000,000 for Persia during the next three years. But it is expected to take several months to achieve an appreciable output.

The Foreign Operations Administration said the aid would include $85,000,000 (about £30,357,000) in loans, mainly from the Export-Import Bank, and the remainder would be in grants. Of the grants total, $15,000,000 (about £5,357,000) had already been alloted on an emergency basis.

The programme included $21,500,000 (about £7,678,000) for a technical co-operation programme supplying expert advice, $52,800,000 (about £18,857,000) to enable Persia to import consumer goods needed by its peoples—these to be sold by the Government and the proceeds in local currency devoted to basic Governmental expenditures — and $53,000,000 (about £18,928,000) to be used for specifically approved economic development projects.—Reuter.

Dublin, Nov. 2.

Mr Roger Greene, prominent Irish lawyer and chairman of the Irish News Agency, died today at his home after a long illness. He was 42.

Mr Greene was a former President of the Incorporated Law Society of Ireland, and chairman of the Irish News Agency since its formation in 1950.—United Press.

BRITISH AIR SAFETY LIMITS SUPERIOR

London, Nov. 2.

Lord Brabazon of Tara, holder of the first British aviation pilot's licence and Chairman of the Air Registration Board, which grants airworthiness certificates to aircraft, agreed here today that British safety requirements were probably in advance of those in America or anywhere else.

He was answering questions at today's hearing of the inquiry into the two Comet airliner disasters over the Mediterranean earlier this year.

Lord Brabazon was replying to Sir Hartley Shawcross, representing de Havillands, makers of the Comet, who had referred to the discovery of a 24-inch crack in the fuselage of "a very famous" American aircraft with a pressurised cabin and the discovery of similar cracks in two other aircraft of the same make.

He raised the matter to show that British aircraft were not the only ones in which cracks were discovered. Sir Hartley Shawcross said: "It looks as if this aircraft, one of the most famous in the world, has had a bit of fatigue trouble. Five unexplained disasters but it is still

LORD BRABAZON

flying. Would you agree that the British safety requirements are probably in advance of those in America or elsewhere?"

Lord Brabazon replied: "I am very glad to hear you say that because I certainly think it is so."

KNOW CAUSE

Lord Brabazon told the inquiry: "You and I know the cause of this accident. It is due to the adventurous pioneering spirit of our race. It has been like that in the past, it is like that in present, and I hope it will be in the future.

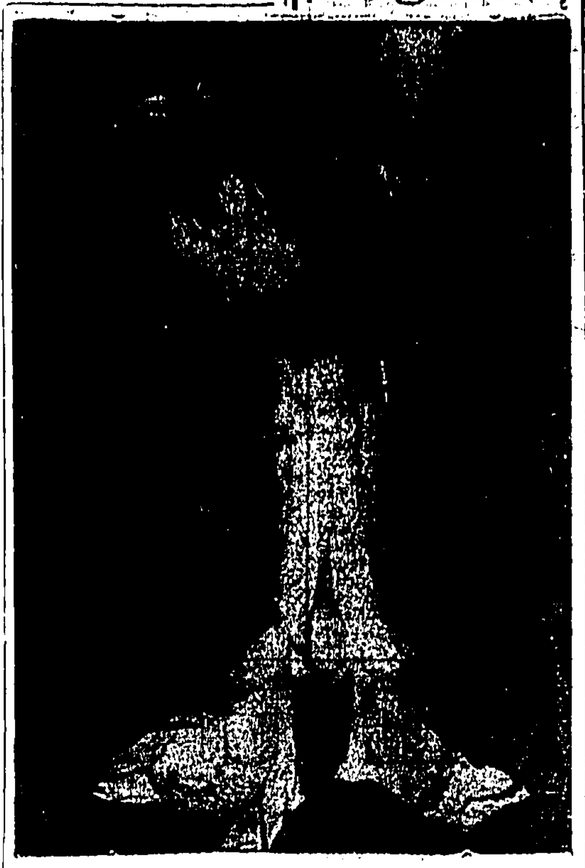
"In this Inquiry there is nothing to be ashamed of; there is much to be proud of.

"Here is a great imaginative project to build a machine with twice the speed and twice the weight of any existing machine in the world. We all went into it with our eyes wide open. We were conscious of the dangers that were lurking in the unknown and we did not know what fate was going to hold out for us in the future."

Addressing Lord Cohen, the Inquiry's Commissioner, he said: "You, my Lord, would not have the aeronautical people in this country still behind the world in the air. Just lest they be criticised in such a court as this for trying to lead the world."

The inquiry was adjourned until tomorrow.—Reuter.

Curious Pigeon



This curious looking bird, all chest and legs, is a Pouter Pigeon, which was before the judges at the Annual Dairy Show of the British Farmers Association, London.—Express Photo.

ATTRACTIVE INFORMERS

London, Nov. 2.

Three English girls, recently posted to American military bases in this country to promote amiable Anglo-American relations, have now been given a respectable title.

Ignoring the newspapers' tags — "Ambassadors," "Hostesses," or "Special Envoys"—officials chose "British Information Officers" as more suitable.

Principal organiser of the scheme, Sir John Whitworth-Hones, turned down the other suggestions as too flashy.

The girls are visiting officials of the Air Ministry and the United States Air Force during their "indoctrination" week.

The girls, chosen for their wide education, good looks and personality, will draw pay of about £500 a year.—China Mail Special.

POSSIBLE NORTH MID. EAST PACT

Cairo, Nov. 2.

The Assistant Secretary-General of the Arab League, Dr Raef Abulema, said today that talks were under way between Britain, the United States and Turkey with a view to changing the Turkish-Pakistani pact into a regional defence system including the Arab states and Persia.

The new defence structure would be known as the North Middle East alliance, he added.

Dr Abulema said the reason for the move which was said to be contained in an "official report" received by the League Secretariat—was that Britain, America and Turkey felt the non-adherence of the Arab states to the Turkish-Pakistani pact created "a vacuum" in Middle East defence.

He declined to have the source of this official report or comment further on it.

Diplomatic observers here immediately recalled a statement made by the British Minister of State, Mr Anthony Nutting, here after the signing of the Suez Canal Agreement—"the more one can co-ordinate the Turkish-Pakistani pact and the Arab Collective Security pact, the better for the free world." Britain favoured such co-ordination, Mr Nutting added.

There have been several reports recently that the Turkish Prime Minister, Mr Adnan Menderes, had [illegible] to visit Egypt.—Reuter.

Brando Wants To Explain About The Blonde

Rome, Nov. 2.

Actor Marlon Brando said today he was trying to telephone his French fiancee in Paris to explain "about that blonde on the train."

Mr Brando seemed particularly worried about reports that a luscious Italian blonde had joined him on the train from Nice to Rome yesterday.

He said that his fiancee, Mlle Josiane Mariani-Berenger, "the only girl I have ever wanted to marry," is in Paris preparing to go to New York to look for an apartment. She "is a very shy girl and can be hurt easily," the actor said.

"I'm worried that she might be upset by all sorts of reports, especially about that blonde on the train," he added.

BOBBY-SOXER

"She was a bobby-soxer who simply wouldn't go away. We got off in Genoa for some coffee and then the photographers spotted us and every time I tried to get away from her, there she was grinning again beside me," Mr Brando said.

"Josiane simply has got to understand this sort of thing happens all the time."

Mr Brando explained he has gone into hiding in a Rome hotel to avoid any further mix-ups. He plans to spend another week in Italy before returning to Paris and then New York where he will be reunited with the French fisherman's step-daughter who became engaged to him last week.—United Press.

Tokyo, Nov. 2.

The first of 15 Soviet agricultural experts arrived in Peking by air on October 30, the Peking Radio reported here today.

The Soviet experts will assist the Chinese Republic's agrarian reconstruction plans under the Sino-Soviet agreement.—France-Presse.

CORRESPONDENTS INVITED TO E. BERLIN TRIAL

Berlin, Nov. 2.

A man accused himself in open court in East Berlin today under the glare of newsreel arc-lights having knowingly committed crimes punishable by the death sentence.

Western correspondents — invited to an East German trial for the first time for years — heard a 49-year-old State official, Karl Bandelow, pour out his confession for more than three hours.

Throughout his testimony he neither faltered nor showed any uncertainty.

Bandelow, an engineer, was in charge of bridge construction and maintenance in East Germany. On trial with him are five other men and a woman accused of breaking East German and Allied Military laws by collecting East German, Polish and Soviet state secrets for the West German intelligence agency, headed by former General Reinhard Gehlen.

NO NOTES

Bandelow made his three and a half hour confession without notes. He stood bolt upright facing the Judge and a cluster of microphones.

The Presiding Judge, Herr Walter Zeigler, followed the confession from a manuscript and prompted him constantly with leading questions.

The engineer confessed that he:

Voluntarily joined the Gehlen organisation.

Supplied it with technical details about East Germany's roads and bridges. Gave verbatim reports on conferences between East German and Polish engineers on joint building projects on the German-Polish border.

He did so he admitted in the full knowledge that "the enemy" wanted the data for warlike purposes. He knew he had deliberately endangered the lives of millions by helping to prepare a new war for personal gain.

But other allegations submitted to Judge Zeigler in his questioning and prompting, the engineer denied politely but firmly.

At one point he denied giving the Gehlen organisation information on Soviet Military Installations in East Germany and Poland.

"I did not do this because I had an aversion against military espionage," he said.

Judge Zeigler broke in: "no my friend, you did not do this because you lacked the opportunity."

"DID NOT WANT"

Bandelow: "Partly that but also because I did not want."

Defence Counsel asked only four questions, occupying exactly three minutes, with their answers. And three of the answers were immediately used in advantage by the prosecution.

The hearing was adjourned until tomorrow.—Reuter.

BELGIAN GENERALS ON TRIAL

Brussels, Nov. 2.

Three Belgian generals, arrested in connection with an investigation into misappropriation of public funds, will appear in court tomorrow in a hearing on whether they should be kept in prison.

The investigation concerns charges of misappropriation of funds with regard to national defence supply contracts. Police were reported to believe that one of the persons under arrest had accepted bribes in return for preferential treatment of certain firms supplying defence materials to the Belgian government.

Those arrested were retired General Jules Maroye, co-director of a large public works firm, Reserve General Camille Grimart, who had resumed active duty at the Defence Ministry with the rank of colonel and who was believed to have handled defence contracts, and former General Paul Jacquet.—France-Presse.

THE PEOPLE OF CYPRUS ARE HAPPY AND CONTENT

By SAYED EL-HASHIMI

TRADITION has it that when St Paul and Barnabas landed on the island of Cyprus, its beauty struck Paul greatly. The devout Cypriot villagers today say that he was convinced of the success of his mission to convert the people; for "so fair a land could not long remain pagan." However that may be, history shows that this islet just off the coast of Palestine, and only half the size of Wales, became the first Christian country.

I have just returned from a long visit to this sun-kissed British Colony, where history is a living thing to all who live there. Here it was that the Latin kingdoms ruled during the Crusades; where Richard Coeur de Lion took the fair Berengaria of Navarre to be his bride and where St. George of England is said to have slain the dragon. Half a million sturdy villagers tend their fields and orchards, where Crusader castles and Turkish forts lie almost cheek-to-cheek with shrines such as that of Paphos, where the Venus cult began.

Though most of the people are Greek-speaking, and follow the rites of the Greek Orthodox Church, ethnologists tell us that in their veins runs the proud blood of Venetians, Crusaders, Romans and all the other warrior and trading nations who from time immemorial have ruled this strategically important crossroads of the Mediterranean.

No Ferment

The other important community are the Turks—the Cypriots of Muslim faith and Turkish tongue, who number one-fifth of the population. Intensely loyal to their beliefs and traditions, they take pride in recalling that Turkey was until the British took over here the nation with the longest unbroken record of suzerainty. The immense churches and cathedrals—such as St. Sophia in Nicosia — built by the Catholic Crusaders, have been maintained since those far-off days by the Turkish community, as distinct from the Orthodox places of worship.

Travelling through the country, from the foamy sea-coast of Larnaca to the mountains of Olympus and the ultra-modern resorts of Troodos or Platres, I found the people, Turks and Greeks alike, to be a special brand of gentle, reasonable peasant. Political agitation seemed almost exclusively confined to the hotheads of the cities—and particularly the Communists, who have undoubtedly taken up the cry of "Union with Greece" as part of their policy of trying to impede military security in the eastern Mediterranean.

Being neither Briton, Turk nor Greek, I was able to talk freely with all these people: and to discover that fundamentally they are in complete harmony. This is one important lesson which entirely refutes the impression which lurid press reports have given that Cyprus (or the Greeks there) are in a state of ferment.

Ideal Blend

It is interesting, as a traveller with time on one's hands, to study the culture-mixing which successive civilisations have produced in many lands. In Cyprus you will find perhaps the ideal blend of cultures. Cyprus is not Greece or Turkey. Neither, for that matter, is it a carbon-copy British Colony. It has too much character of its own: it is—Cyprus.

Greek and Turkish cultures have shaped the lives of both the main communities: their work and play, their festivals and their devoutness. The Turkish period brought continuity of government and military security vital to a small nation surrounded by "elder brothers". British rule has produced economic and educational advance. Striking evidence of the way in which the three peoples work together in fundamentals was given me in the amazing story of the eradication of the malaria mosquito.

A Turk, Mehmet Aziz, convinced that it would be possible to wipe out the deadly anopheles mosquito, rallied the Greek-speaking villagers to spray the whole country, literally brick by brick and pool by pool, with DDT. With the resources of the British-initiated health service, the work was accomplished. Cyprus became the first nation in history to eradicate endemic malaria. This story has something of the flavour of adventure and achievement which appeals to the Cypriot and taps the artesian wells of his love for his mother country.

Again and again this pattern of service and success is being re-enacted: whether in digging new irrigation channels, combatting the wild goat menace, or even in dealing with problems of the Post Office and of adult education.

As I collected this material and talked to the old and young in Cyprus, something of this spirit of adventure and pride infected me as well. When you read of strikes and demonstrations in that far-off unspoilt island paradise, remember that for every Greek speaker who shouts "Enosis!" (union with Greece), for every Turk who hates the Greek, there are perhaps 500 simple, happy people who are content with prosperity and with the joy of working for their own country. This is a lesson which many a larger nation might well learn from the delightful people of the Isle of Legends.

"... Actually, Captain, I did have a faint hope that the German rearmament policy would be turned down by the French last night."
London Express Service

THE UNFINISHED LETTER IN THE MARY CELESTE

The World's Strangest Stories No. 8

by DUDLEY POPE

FROM the deck of his brig, Dei Gratia, Captain Morehouse watched the Mary Celeste — a couple of miles ahead on the same course. He was overhauling her fast and it was a pleasant day for such a meeting — a calm sea with a light northerly breeze.

And the meeting—on December 5, 1872, almost midway between the Azores and Portugal—was quite a coincidence. Captain Ben Briggs had left New York for Genoa a couple of days before the Dei Gratia sailed for Genoa.

The Mary Celeste carried 1,700 barrels of commercial alcohol, and in addition to Briggs and his wife and child there was a crew of seven.

He'd have to rag Ben about his slow progress. Maybe he'd run into some calm patches, since he was a pretty slippery skipper.

Morehouse signalled the Mary Celeste and waited for a reply. But none came.

Then the men aboard Dei Gratia spotted that the brigantine's jib and foretopmast staysail were backed. The ship was luffing up into the wind and then paying off a couple of points, then luffing up again.

Was Briggs ill? Was the ship damaged? Dei Gratia ran up an "Urgent" signal, but that did not raise a reply, either.

NO HEADS

MOREHOUSE took the Dei Gratia close down the Mary Celeste's weather side, and from a few yards off gave an almighty hail. But no heads appeared over the rail. And he saw there was no one at the wheel.

His eyes searched the spars and rigging; everything seemed sound. The brigantine was floating on her marks and there was no sign of any damage. But her boat was missing—the boat falls hung like vines from the davits.

There must be an answer to all this, he thought. He called his mate, Oliver Deveau, and told him to take a boat and a couple of men and board the Mary Celeste.

Deveau reached the ship and, followed by a seaman, clambered aboard. The decks were deserted. Aloft the masts and yards creaked; the blocks groaned and rattled and the canvas of the sails flapped and banged. The wheel spun lazily as though unskilled phantom hands gripped the spokes.

Thoroughly alarmed, Deveau sent the boat back for Captain Morehouse.

As soon as he arrived aboard the two men made their way aft and entered the main cabin. It was empty but tidy. On the table was a sewing machine and beside it a reel of cotton, a thimble and a small oil can.

Nearby were the remains of a meal and a letter begun by the mate, Richardson, to his wife. It merely said: "Fanny, my dear Wife . . . " All the objects would have fallen off the table had the ship heeled in a stiff breeze.

All the bunks were neatly made up — with one exception. One pillow carried the impression of a child's head—Briggs' daughter Sophie.

Briggs' small stock of ready cash was apparently untouched, and so were several trinkets including a gold locket. His clothes were neatly stowed away in drawers.

VANISHED

EVERYTHING was normal—except that the captain, his wife, daughter and officers had vanished.

Although the ship's log was still on board, there was no trace of the ship's papers. These would have included bills of lading, muster lists and bills of health. Nor was there a chronometer or sextant aboard.

A very worried Morehouse searched the galley. Everything in order—except that the cook had vanished.

With Deveau he went forward to the fo'c'sle. Seamen's chests were still where they were normally stowed. Washing was still hanging up to dry, and razors were still bright and sharp. Tobacco and pipes were lying around.

Everything normal — except that the crew had vanished.

The only sign of disorder in the whole ship was in one of the store cabins, where a drawer, normally containing tins of preserved meat, had apparently been hastily cleared.

Morehouse read the log. Like most logs on such a small ship, it was brief. Tantalisingly brief in these circumstances. There were only seven entries in the past month which related to the ship's position. The last of these, November 24 (11 days earlier), gave a position of longitude 36.56 west, latitude 27.20 north.

TWO CLUES

WHAT had happened? They had only two clues: one of the hatch covers had ben taken off and lay nearby, upside down. A cutlass, with what might have been bloodstains on it, was also found.

The Dei Gratia had found one of the greatest mysteries the sea has ever offered; one which has never been satisfactorily solved.

Morehouse ordered Deveau and two seamen to sail the Mary Celeste to Gibraltar. There the ship was arrested by the Admiralty Proctor, Mr Solly Flood.

The experts — including a diver and a surveyor — found nothing but a groove on each side of the bow, about one inch wide and three-eighths of an inch deep. It extended on each side for about six feet. The stains on the cutlass were found to be rust, not blood.

Flood then conducted an official investigation with the Marshal of the Vice-Admiralty Court, four Royal Navy post-captains, a colonel of Royal Engineers and Captain Schufeldt, of the U.S.S. Plymouth.

Their findings were that the groove had been caused by a sharp instrument, but there was no trace of anything "calculated to create an alarm of an explosion or fire."

A THEORY

FLOOD'S own report — which contained a large number of inaccuracies — added: "My own theory, or guess, is that the crew got at the alhohol, and in the fury of drunkenness murdered the master ... his wife and child, and the chief mate; that they then damaged the bows of the vessel with the view of giving it the appearance of having struck on rocks, or suffered in collision — and that they did, some time between the 25th November and the 5th December, escape on board some vessel bound for some North or South American port or the West Indies."

No one paid much attention to Flood's theory. Mutineers, if they left in the boat, would have scuttled the Mary Celeste instead of leaving her a floating mystery in a busy shipping lane. And what would be their motive? They took nothing from the ship, and Ben Briggs was well known as a kindly man. Commercial alcohol, had Flood but tasted it, is almost undrinkable.

Another theory was that Morehouse and Briggs were in league to get the salvage money. But as Briggs was part-owner and would have to pay his share, his portion of the salvage money would not have amounted to much more than his own share in the ship, and apart from having to change his name, lose his home in America and his livelihood, he would have left himself open to blackmail by the crew.

Could there have been an outbreak of plague on board? That was another theory; but again it could be easily discounted. The risk of infection would be far greater in an open boat than aboard Mary Celeste.

TERROR

BARBARY pirates were also blamed. One idea was that the pirates approached and Captain Briggs took to the boat with his crew. The people in the boat were subsequently massacred and the pirates' vessel was sunk as the men tried to board the ship—which was still under way.

It was a convenient theory, since it might have accounted for the scratches on the hull. But news travels fast in Africa, and Europeans and Americans had always heard of previous pirate attacks. The "bush telegraph" remained silent on this occasion.

By far the most likely explanation—but by no means the certain one—is that Captain Briggs smelt fumes from the alcohol and thought the ship was going to blow up. Fire, always one of a sailor's greatest terrors, would spread fast in a wooden ship laden with highly inflammable alcohol.

This would account for the hurried departure of all on board, and also the fact that a hatch cover was off: as soon as fumes were detected the hatch might have been lifted in an attempt to clear them. The boat in which they got away may have capsized later.

While stories are still being told about the ship, new theories will be put forward to explain what happened during the days before the Dei Gratia hove in sight. None, at this stage, will ever be proved.

On Saturday: Did The Duke Lead A Double Life?

THE SHIP

The 282-ton brigantine built in Nova Scotia, began her career as the Amazon. Later she was renamed Mary Sellars, but owing to a painter's error (he was a Frenchman) the name on the transom ended up as Mary Celeste

Nathaniel Gubbins

DR. H. S. BRYAN, psychiatrist of the children's clinic of Liverpool hospital, said: "If the nation is to have self-assertive, virile men we must have aggressive little boys. It's the Little Lord Fauntleroys who have the most troublesome symptoms."

I have never read the story of Little Lord Fauntleroy, but my life partner, The Plucky Little Woman, says the doctor has slipped up somewhere if he infers that this horrid little hero was a soppy sop.

According to her Little Lord Fauntleroy spent a lot of his early youth knocking common little boys for six, while his grandfather, the old earl, watched behind the curtains of the ancestral home muttering, "Good show," or something to that effect.

In fact, it was because the dear little chap picked on common little boys that his grandfather decided that he must be rightful heir to the earldom, showing a proper contempt for the lower classes and a promise to knock them all for six socially and economically when he grew up.

Dog And Cat Story

THE Dog and The Cat had grown so big and The Man and The Woman had shrunk so small that it was The Dog and Cat who were sitting at table eating their Sunday sirloin of beef while The Man begged for titbits by The Dog's chair and The Woman growled under the sofa.

"Poor old Mansy boy," said The Dog, stroking The Man's bald head. "What's old Mansy boy want den?"

"Don't ask him silly questions when he can't reply," said The Cat. "You know perfectly well what he wants, anyway."

"Now meat's off the ration can't he have a bit of beef for a treat?" asked The Dog.

"Do you know the price of prime English sirloin?" asked The Cat, cutting herself another slice.

"No," said The Dog. "But as Mansy boy's hair's still coming out I know he needs vitamins."

"He won't get them at 4s. 6d. a pound," said The Cat. "And what's wrong with his biscuits? They're supposed to be full of meat, aren't they?"

"Supposed to be," said The Dog.

"That's what he always said when you begged at table," said The Cat. "'Go and eat your biscuits, you bad dog,' he used to say. 'They're full of meat.'"

"He didn't know any better," said The Dog.

"Well, he knows now," said The Cat.

"His teeth are not strong enough for biscuits," said The Dog.

"You can mash them up in gravy," said The Cat, "with some stale potatoes."

"The Woman needs more nourishment, too," said The Dog. "She's had nothing today but a saucer of watered milk."

"Let her catch mice, then," said The Cat. "Mice are full of vitamins."

"There may not be any mice to catch," said The Dog.

"There weren't any when she told me to catch some," said The Cat.

"I don't suppose she likes mice anyway," said The Dog.

"I didn't like them either," said The Cat.

The Man whined and clawed at The Dog's leg with his little hands.

"There's a good Mansy boy," said The Dog, taking something off his plate and giving it to The Man. The Woman under the sofa growled louder.

"You feeding him at table again?" asked The Cat.

"It was only a bit of gristle," said The Dog.

"I don't care what it was," said The Cat. "I won't have them encouraged to pester us at meals."

"They need a little fussing when they get older," said The Dog.

"How old is he?" asked The Cat.

"Sixty-four last birthday," said The Dog.

"That settles it," said The Cat.

"Settles what?" asked The Dog.

"He'll have to be put down before he becomes a nuisance," said The Cat.

"Not poor old Mansy boy?" said The Dog.

"He can't even win prizes at The Man Show because he's a mongrel," said The Cat.

"That's only because he's grown the wrong moustache for his breed," said The Dog.

"With his hair and teeth coming out he's no use to himself or anybody else," said The Cat, picking up the telephone to ring the vet. "Anyway, it's a kindness in the end."

Letter From A Frog

DEAR Sir,—As a constant reader of your column may I intrude on your valuable space to endorse the findings of the American scientist, Mr W. Frank Blair, who says that frogs not only talk to each other but develop regional accents which prevent them mating with strangers?

I suppose I was fortunate to be born in a pond near Oxford University and had the advantage of hearing and imitating the voices of undergraduates. This saved me from an unfortunate marriage when I was young.

The lady frog in question was born near London. She was beautiful and, like most Cockneys, witty, open hearted, generous, and loyal. I was infatuated and would have married her but for my uncle's warning that our children might pick up her terrible accent and her unfortunate expressions like "Cor blimey" and "Cor luveduck." I am not a snob but must say I am now glad that I married a lady born in a pond near Girton whose children speak so beautifully that any one of them could be a BBC announcer.

Other frogs have not had the same happy experience. There was a Glasgow frog brought south who fell in love with a lady frog from Cheltenham. With typical Scottish persistence he proposed to her every hour of the day and night, but as she was unable to understand a word he said the affair came to nothing and he died of a broken heart. She told me afterwards she thought he was gargling.

Hoping your wife and family are well,

I remain, Sir, yours faithfully,

A. Frog.

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• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Don't Get Excited Over This Bidding

By OSWALD JACOBY

DON'T take the bidding of today's hand too seriously. It is given as though it actually happened by Pierre Albarran in his latest book, "One Hundred Extraordinary Hands," but I'm inclined to believe that the hand is more extraordinary than real.

The bidding is only a means of getting South into the fairly reasonable contract of three notrump. This contract is defeated only when East appears to be taken with a fit of madness.

West opens the ace of clubs, and East throws away his ace of diamonds. West continues with the queen of clubs, dummy plays the king, and East now throws away the ace of spades.

After this remarkable series of plays, South can take two high spades, three high hearts, one high diamond and a club. As soon as South tries to develop either the spades or the diamonds, West will gain the lead and defeat the contract with his long clubs.

East had plays are, of course, necessary to defeat the contract. If East keeps the ace of diamonds, South can lead a diamond from the dummy towards his king. East can win one diamond trick with the ace, but then South's king will clear up the rest of the suit. South will therefore make enough diamond tricks to guarantee the contract.

NORTH 7
♠ 7 3
♥ A K Q
♦ J 8 4
♣ K 7 6 5 3

WEST (D)
♠ J 8 4
♥ None
♦ Q 7
♣ A Q J 10 9 8 4 2

EAST
♠ A 10 6
♥ J 10 9 8 6 4 3 2
♦ A 10
♣ None

SOUTH
♠ K Q 9 5 2
♥ 7 5
♦ K 9 6 5 3 2
♣ None

East-West Vul.

West	North	East	South
1 ♣	Double	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	3 N.T.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead - ♣ A

The effect of throwing away the ace of diamonds is to transfer the defenders' only diamond trick to West. The ace of diamonds is dead, but the queen of diamonds lives on.

This unusual play is still not enough to defeat the contract. Declarer can lead spades toward his hand, giving up one trick to the ace whenever East wants to take it. This shuts West out and gives South enough spade tricks to guarantee the contract.

East defeats the plan by throwing away his ace of spades. The defence is still sure of one and only one spade trick, but now it is West who wins that trick with the jack instead of East with the ace.

My suspicious nature prevents me from believing this hand ever took place, but I must compliment Mr Albarran on his lively imagination.

CARD SENSE

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been:

South	West	North	East
1 Heart	Double	Redbl.	1 Spade
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You, South, hold: Spade 7, Hearts A-K-J-6-3-2, Diamonds 4-3-2, Clubs A-3-2. What do you do?

A—Bid two hearts. This may be your only cheap chance to show that you have a good heart suit. Your unwillingness to pass the spade bid around to your partner indicates also that you have poor defence against spades and a near-minimum opening bid.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades A-3-2, Hearts A-K-J-6-3-2, Diamonds 4-3-2, Club 7. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

DUMB-BELLS

"Fred doesn't like to get too much sun the first day."

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

BORN today, you have one of those deep and unpredictable natures. On the surface, you appear calm and unruffled. Others are always looking up to you for help and advice. Yet, underneath you have a rather tempestuous nature. When young, the chances are that you are moody; at times even withdrawn and introspective. It is just a little difficult to know how you will jump when you do make a decision.

You have an extremely active imagination and can conjure up all kinds of things. You worry about what may be going to happen in the future. Best not to do this, for half of the things you imagine will never come to pass and your worries are quite useless. Learn to spend your energies more constructively. Action is not "worrying" and that is a good idea.

Your emotions are very deep and it is likely that you will love but once in your life. If that does not culminate in marriage, you might never wed. Depend upon your intuitions a little more, for they will never lead you astray. If you have a "hunch" about some new business idea, follow it up at once. It could prove to be the basis upon which a fortune could be built. But you will have to act the instant the idea occurs to you or someone else might get ahead of you.

Among those born on this date are William Cullen Bryant, poet; Edward D. White, jurist; King Leopold III of Belgium; Vilhjalmur Stefansson, Arctic explorer; Ford Sterling, actor; James Renwick, architect; Samuel Davies, educator.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—A light turn for the better, so you don't have to keep looking over your shoulder for a bogie man.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 22)—Press forward toward some definite objective and your progress should prove rewarding now.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Proceed with what you want to do now and follow some definite pattern for the best result.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—A run-of-the-mill day for you. Take care of work that has to be done and close up shop!

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Don't expect anything very exciting today. Even your problems will be little ones and easily solved.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—One of those plodding days, yet at the end of your workday, you discover a lot has been accomplished, after all.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Keeping to an objective will result in a sense of satisfaction in a job well done, if you are conscientious.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—You may not adhere strictly to conventions in projecting a new idea, but you should get fine results.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Everything progresses well enough if you stick to your carefully arranged schedule—one thing at a time.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Work-a-day affairs are normally active. Don't be impatient. Remember Rome wasn't built in a day!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—If you have been postponing an unpleasant task, get it done today without fail. You can finish it.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—A good, routine day. Take things as they come, one at a time. Results are rewarding.

BY THE WAY

By Beachcomber

AN MP has said that the mortality of children to learn to read is due to the difficulty of our spelling. But spelling was always difficult for children.

Everybody but a politician or an "educationist" knows that teachers are no longer able to interest their pupils in learning anything of value. Duz thiss Em Pea rearli think thatt itt iz eezur to spel tellyvizshun than televisshun?

Malleus Culicis

A REFERENCE to "the lucky Scandinavians, who are free from mosquitoes," reminded me that in only two places have mosquitoes ever gone for me: Venice, and a place called Nystuen in Norway, where they attacked in close formation. But after reducing the Jotunheim, including Galdhopig, pride of the Ymesfjeld, to molehills, I was sold by a chemist in Lillehammer a preparation of his own which acted like magic. As I swung down the road I jeered at the mosquitoes, imitating their high, tiny song, and ready to knock some sense into the cattle-breeders of the Gudbrandsdaal.

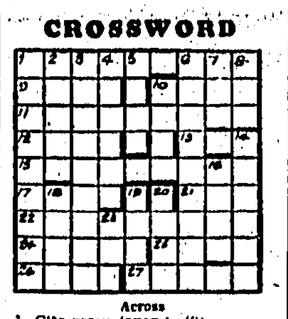
Very good, Sir Henry

WHILE sheltering in the doorway of a West End wine merchant's shop to avoid an awkward encounter, Foulenough heard the end of a telephone conversation . . . "Very good, Sir Henry. The six cases will be ready when your butler calls for them—in a quarter of an hour? Very good, Sir Henry." "Very good, Sir Henry," muttered the Captain, as he slipped away in search of a taxi. Ten minutes later he alighted, hurried into the shop, and said: "Are Sir Henry's six cases ready?" Two assistants carried the cases to the taxi. That night there was a celebration in Foulenough's flat. The shrill laughter of the women mingled with the boisterous toasts of the men, and when dawn stole through the shutters, the wan light revealed trampled cards, bottles, glasses, two discarded waistcoats, a high-heeled shoe, three IOUs, a roast potato, and, adhering to a wall, fragments of sardine and anchovy. As he fell asleep Foulenough muttered once more, "Very, very good, Sir Henry."

Germ-control

YESTERDAY a dog in a sterilised coat was brought into a butcher's shop. Its germ-laden lead brushed against the butcher's germ-laden white elbow-length gloves, so an assistant sprayed the shop and its contents, and the customers, with a germicide. As he sprayed, the assistant's white coat touched a piece of germ-laden meat, and in removing the germ-laden coat, he forgot to put on his mask. When everything and everybody had been sprayed again, it was found that the germ-laden dog had snaffled a customer's ankles. The [illegible]

CROSSWORD



Across
1. Cite green (anag.). (9)
9. Star on many a ranch. (4)
10. Henry scores a duck? (4)
11. May follow yours, instead of always. (9)
12. Tennyson's Lady Clara had more than one. (4)
13. There are many memories of his game. (3)
15. It's them as take —— that get ——" (George Eliot). (9)
17. He lived at —— Hall. (4)
21. A little drink, obviously. (3)
22. Tiler nine (anag.). (9)
24. Bonny lolls untruths over it, says the song. (5)
25. Superior word in clue to 24 Across. (4)
26. North-eastern street? (4)
27. There's a pair of them in most households. (5)

Down
1. I ate novel for a change. (9)
2. A penny after Eton goes back. (5)
3. East, Verne? It's weakening! (9)
4. Actors read and —— when learning a part. (6)
5. Hi! It made a wartime show. (4)
6. Vital Kate may well be! (9)
7. Take the wing from the willing. (3)
8. The beginning and end of the convoy. (3)
10. Crippled with "Who goes there?" (4)
14. One thousand Romans get the trees mixed up. (6)
16. A third blow to an auctioneer. (4)
18. Cone turned inside out. (4)
19. Featured in the station buffet. (4)
20. It takes money for telling your weight. (4)
23. Tea gets around. (3)

UPANDDOWN
NAPEARLYE
DUPEMAGIC
LLECTBACA
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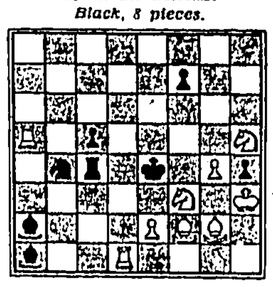
Yesterday's solution

CHESS PROBLEM

By S. SAMARIAN

Black, 8 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.
White to play: mate in three.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1, Kt—Kt3, any; 2, Q, or Kt mates.

WOMANSENSE

Coat Dress For Autumn

By ALICE ALDEN

THE cotton coat-dress takes its place proudly in the line-up of fine autumn fashions. New weaves, new finishes, new techniques have created wondrous cotton fabrics, glowing, rich and attractive for every type and taste. For a practical demonstration, here's a picture of a beautiful garment that does equally well as a coat or as a dress. Done on coachman line, it goes softly feminine with long sleeves and unpressed pleats that are released below the hipline for a flowing silhouette. The fabric is a delicious striped cotton satin, easy to wear, easy to care for.

FROTHY DESSERT DISHES

By ALICE DENHOFF

SWEET stuff today and we get going with a delicious, nourishing and highly satisfactory dessert. This is Banana Nutmeg Float, the recipe to serve 6.

Mash 1 ripe banana through a coarse sieve. Add 1/3 c. sugar, ¼ tsp. nutmeg, tsp. vanilla extract, tsp. almond flavouring and 1 qt. cold milk. Stir until sugar is completely dissolved. Pour into chilled glasses and top with vanilla ice cream, using in all about 1 pt.

For a light, lovely pudding, try Chocolate Meringue.

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To serve 8, mix 4 egg yolks with small amount taken from 4 c. milk. Mix in saucepan. Add ¼ c. quick-cooking tapioca, ½ c. sugar, 2 squares unsweetened chocolate, ¼ tsp. salt and remaining milk. Bring to boil, stirring constantly. Add tsp. vanilla. Turn into greased 1½-qt. baking dish. Beat 3 egg whites until foamy throughout. Add 6 tbsp. sugar, 1 tbsp. at a time and continue beating with rotary egg beater until mixture stands in soft peaks. Pile lightly on pudding and sprinkle with ½ c. shredded coconut. Bake in 350° F. oven for 15 min.

Chantilly Orange Tapioca next, the recipe for 6 servings:

Combine ¼ c. quick-cooking tapioca, ½ c. sugar ¼ tsp. salt and 1½ c. water in saucepan. Place over medium heat and cook until mixture comes to a full boil, stirring constantly. Add 1 c. orange juice and tsp. grated orange rind. Remove from heat. Cool, stirring occasionally. Chill. Then fold in ½ c. cream that has been whipped. Pile lightly in sherbet glasses, and, if desired, garnish with very fine ¼-in. shreds of orange rind entirely free from all white membrane.

Want a wonderful filling to use between layers of cake? For 1-1/3 c. filling, combine ¼ c. sugar, ½ c. sour cream, 1 beaten egg, ½ c. chopped, cooked prunes and ¼ c. raisins in saucepan; cook 5 min. Remove from heat; add 1/3 c. finely chopped nuts, tsp. vanilla and ¼ tsp. salt. Chill and spread between cake layers.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Treat dust cloths by soaking them in a solution of six parts of hot water and one part kerosene. Let dry before using.

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Leftover bacon slices cut up into a jar of peanut butter make a ready-made sandwich spread. Or, use the bacon bits as topping for a salad.

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Brown sugar does not become lumpy if it is stored in a covered container with half an apple or carrot in it.

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Save time in ironing by hanging clothes properly after they're washed. Shake the items as you hang them, and hang them straight. Smooth the clothes carefully as you take them from the line.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Willy Toad's Bicycle

—It had Daisy Wheels and a Cricket Horn—

By MAX TRELL

IT was Chirpie Sparrow who brought the news to Knarf and Hanid. "Willy's making himself a bicycle," he said.

The two shadow-children looked astonished.

"A bicycle—a real bicycle?" exclaimed Hanid.

Bizarre Materials

Chirpie Sparrow said: "It certainly looks like a real bicycle. Except," he added, "that it isn't made of the things that real bicycles really are made of."

Knarf wanted to know what this meant. But Chirpie merely said: "You'd better go and look for yourself. He's making it on the side of the hill under the gooseberry bush." Then Chirpie flew away.

Knarf and Hanid looked out of the window toward the hillside where Chirpie said Willy was building his bicycle.

"There! I see him," Knarf shouted.

Hanid thought she saw a figure go shooting down the side of the steep hill. The figure seemed to be on a bicycle. Knarf and Hanid now decided to go and see for themselves what sort of a bicycle it was that Willy Toad had built for himself.

All along the way toward the hill they met friends of Willy.

"Yes," said Blackie Beetle, who was dressed in overalls and was digging a hole under a rock. "Willy's built himself a fine bicycle all right . . . at least it's a fine bicycle for him."

"You mean you wouldn't ride on it?" Knarf said.

"I certainly wouldn't," said Blackie. But then he jumped down the hole and disappeared under the rock.

An Impractical Vehicle

A little further on they met Olive the Snail. "I'll say this," he told Knarf and Hanid, "Willy's new bicycle is be-oo-tiful, but ride on it?—no sir-ee."

They also met a grasshopper and a bumble-bee who went by flying. "He'll break his neck," said Willy Toad's friends to [illegible]

All this talk made Knarf and Hanid more and more eager to see Willy and his new bicycle.

It happened sooner than they expected!

Suddenly, just as they reached the bottom of the hill they heard Willy shouting: "Look out!" A horn was blowing furiously. The next second something that looked like a collection of twigs and flowers, with a Toad sitting on top of them, came speeding down on them.

Knarf and Hanid leaped aside just in time. The next second there was a terrific crash as Willy and his bicycle collided into a tree.

Willy went flying head over heels and landed in a rain puddle. The bicycle just disappeared, but there were bits of twigs and flowers strewn all around.

Knarf and Hanid picked Willy up. "Oh, dear," he said sadly, as he looked around and saw that his bicycle was gone, "this is the unhappiest moment of my life. My beautiful bicycle is broken."

Willy sat down on a pebble and described to Knarf and Hanid what his bicycle was built of. "The wheels," said Willy, "were made of two daisy blossoms, the handlebars I made out of a bent twig, the pedals were pieces of bark, the horn was a cricket that I kept squeezing, the seat was a toadstool and the lights were glow-worms."

Blackie Beetle was wearing overalls and digging a hole.

Elaborate Plans

Willy cheered up a bit when Knarf and Hanid promised to help him build another bicycle.

"Thank you," said Willy, "and this time I'll build an even bigger one. Instead of daisies for wheels, I'll use sunflower blossoms; and instead of a cricket horn, I'll use a frog horn. It's a good idea building your own bicycle, especially when you can find everything around to build it with."

Rupert at Greyrocks Cove—12

When Rupert paused, the Scout produces astonishing [illegible] like one? "What, more guest [illegible] exclaims Rupert. "What an odd place this is! But [illegible] thanks, [illegible]

MOVE TO CHANGE REPLACEMENT RULES

LET US HAVE SUBSTITUTES FOR GOALKEEPERS —BUT NO ONE ELSE

Says TOM FINNEY

You can imagine the feelings of the Preston team as we came away from the match at White Hart Lane in London last Saturday week. We had been beaten by three goals to one after being a goal up. Not unnaturally we believed it was the injury to Willie Cunningham, our Scottish international right-back, which had cost us the two points. Willie was off the field for most of the second-half. Here's the point: if Preston had been allowed to call on a substitute, we should probably have saved at least one point.

Should we, therefore, allow substitutes in club games? In spite of our bad luck at White Hart Lane, my answer is definitely no—with the exception of goalkeepers. It will, of course, be a long time before the question is considered when the second-half of a match has already been started, but in the first half at any rate this demand for replacements for injured men is gaining considerable support.

For spectators want the best value in entertainment. Remember the tremendous disappointment at Wembley in April, 1951, when Wilf Mannion, playing outside-right for England fractured a cheek-bone and Scotland went on to win 3-2 after a game which became too heavily weighted on one side? I was on the left wing, with Harold Hassall, then with Huddersfield and now with Bolton, as my inside-forward partner.

But there are other arguments too for substitutes. There was, for instance, that early injury to Walley Barnes, the Arsenal right-back, in the Cup Final of 1952 when Newcastle won with a goal by George Robledo. Most of the experts were agreed that Arsenal would not have been beaten had a substitute been allowed.

Yes, a most convincing case for substitutes can be made out. On the Continent, and in most other parts of the Soccer world, they are part and parcel of the game. But I am still against the idea with the exception of goalkeepers. And for an injured goalkeeper I would allow a substitute at any time during the match.

OPEN TO ABUSE

For the rest I would say that the substitute system which people recommend is open to abuse. I refrain from giving instances: it is not the job of a playing footballer to make havoc of international goodwill, but I have seen at least half a dozen glaring instances of abuse in matches with foreign countries and clubs.

It has been said that if the Football Associations of the home countries allow substitutes for matches in our own international tournament, we should have the same concessions for clubs.

But do you realise what would happen then? Preston would have turned up at Tottenham with 15 or 16 players instead of 12. And that would be the case at all matches. Three or four extra men would be present, not really essential, who would have about one chance in ten of getting even part of a game.

So it would mean much larger playing staffs, which few clubs can afford. And it would certainly mean discontent among the unlucky three or four who would spend so much of their footballing lives in track suits on the touchline.

If we allowed substitute goalkeepers, as I think we should, the chance of abuse would be very slender. Few clubs could afford to take with them week after week a spare trained goalkeeper; so the job would have to be filled by the twelfth man of the party.

PRESENT SYSTEM WEAK

Our twelfth man at White Hart Lane was a young inside-forward, Ernie Jones, a local Preston boy. He was there as a precaution against any emergency which might deprive us of a man before the kick-off.

If our goalkeeper, George Thompson, had had to go off, our emergency replacement would have been Joe Walton, the left-back. Joe keeps wicket at cricket and he has sometimes kept goal in our club six-a-side matches. He makes a good job of it, too.

Ken Horton, the inside-forward who transferred to Hull City, used to be our emergency man for the goalkeeper's position. He had to take over two or three times and did well. Most teams have men who can keep goal pretty well under such circumstances.

But this present system has a considerable weakness. For the team is, of course, left with ten men when the goalkeeper goes off. And the goalkeeper is more liable to be hurt than any other player, if the play is coming his way. So I repeat, let us have substitutes for goalkeepers—but no one else.

COACHING HINT

Sometimes you will hear the crowd roar applause for a shot that goes just over the bar. Very often those cheers are not really deserved—for the ball should have been kept low. In shooting goals, then, aim to keep the toe well down so that the instep is almost perpendicular.

Don't allow the knee to be too far forward or you will expend your energy in driving the ball into the ground and, in consequence, a lot of power will be lost. Practise hitting the back of the net about two feet from the ground.

Colony's Best Boxers Lined Up For Friday Night Show

The Card of 16 bouts for the big Boxing Tournament to be held at Southorn Stadium, Wanchai, this coming Friday, under the distinguished patronage of Commodore A. H. Thorold OBE, DSC, can justly be termed as superlative.

The name of nearly every top-liner in the Colony's Boxing circles will be included in this card; all three Services will be well represented in addition to boxers from the US Navy and China Gymnasium.

Slick precision work in organisation is assured as there is a keen Committee at the helm; the Royal Navy are handling the positions of the officials with Mr W. Stoker as HKABA Official-in-Charge.

The sixteen bouts will be well balanced, and the finalised programme will be released tomorrow. In the meantime the appetites of Boxing fans will be whetted and an early onslaught on the booking offices is anticipated, now that it is known that Henry Wong will be meeting "Battling Airman" Monaghan for the first time.

Two triple Champions will also be fighting for the first time in the Colony, and a roof-raising fight is expected when Kingsman Kelly is matched against Cpl. Thompson.

Gunner Buck, a tough and game Heavyweight, will be meeting Cpl. Ross of the RAF, and as both have powerful reputation, this contest will be a big draw.

In the Light-Heavies plenty of action can be anticipated when Seaman Kilbey of the US Navy gets cracking with that Ace of the ring, Sergeant Weir of 1 Kings. Kilbey is in the Golden Gloves class.

In addition to three well-known names from China Gym there will be four Chinese fighters who are now to the audience ... they are expected to raise a few eyebrows.

These are just some of the bouts that those, who book early enough, will be able to see on Friday, and there are other bouts which are very nearly as good, so the card is claimed to be superlative.

All proceeds from the Tournament will be given to a very worthy Charity, the Hongkong Sea Training School at Stanley, where 200 boys in poor circumstances are trained for citizenship and service in the Colony.

In view of the obvious interest that this Card will arouse, patrons are urged to book their tickets as soon as possible from The China Fleet Club or the Sports Club on the Hongkong side, or from the European YMCA and the Nine Dragons Club on the Kowloon side.

Far East Boxing Representative Wanted

London, Nov. 2.

Mr J. Onslow Fane, Permanent Chairman of the British Commonwealth and Empire Boxing Championships Committee, expressed the opinion today that there should be a representative of the Far East on the International Committee of Professional Boxing.

This is the body which has been formed to virtually control World Championship events and will meet in London on November 16.

Mr Robert K. Christenberry (New York), Mr Onslow Fane, Mr M. Rabaret of France, representing Europe, and an official of the National Boxing Association for America form the present Committee.

Mr Onslow Fane said that [illegible] Far East [illegible] China [illegible]

SOCCER ON THE INSIDE

(Edited by Sam Leitch)

Middlesbrough centre-forward or outside-left Billy Watkin waits for his return to the first team. When he does it could be most expensive for Middlesbrough. A promise to pay Gateshead an additional £5,000 when he had played a certain number of senior team games could be the snag.

That game is now due.....but £5,000 for 90 minutes' soccer is a tall order. Meanwhile, Gateshead are not making a fuss about it. They have Middlesbrough's stipulation. And it could be that Watkin may yet find his way back to Gateshead.

His hopes have hardly been realised at Middlesbrough, and though no official move has been made about a transfer in reverse, the subject has been broached.

Gateshead's view about the extra transfer cash is: "We think Billy has already played the number of games that entitle us to the remainder of the fee."

RUMBLES OF DISCONTENT

Rumbles of discontent as the players sweat it out under the floodlights. Only the lights glitter for some. As the Scots cash in, these stories of £20 a man for their overtime games crush the enthusiasm out of Football League players.

Newcastle United agree with the players. They take the stand to say that until clubs are allowed to step up the £1 a point bonus allowed by rule they will cut down their flood-lit programme....in fairness to the players.

HOT DANISH DOGS

Planning for the future, the Hull City way is a little different. Remember Alan Mellor? When the Manchester-born wing-half had to give up football because of injury a year or two ago, he started a mobile library.....and made good.

Now Viggo Jensen, Hull's Danish full-back, says: "I am over 30 and must start to think about the future." So what does he do?

Viggo has a licence to sell hot-dogs. And he's doing the thing properly. He will import special sausages from Denmark.

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Expect crack Russian referee Nikolai Latyshev to ask the FA for Arthur Ellis (Halifax) and Bill Ling (Cambridge) as his linesmen for the Arsenal v. Spartak clash on November 9.

Nine years ago Latyshev refereed the "football" match between an Arsenal "select" and Moscow Dynamos when the Russians won 4-3.

He is Russia's No. 1 referee. Both Ellis and Ling refereed in Russia recently and impressed the soccer bosses there.

Latyshev will use, as in the 1945 match, the linear system of control. He patrols one touchline; both linesmen are on the other side.

ONCE AGAIN A TARGET

Husky Ken Smith, centre-forward for non-League Headington, is once again a target for League clubs.

Remember Ken took Headington to the fourth round of the FA Cup last year. Bidders were busted away by a "Hands off Headington" instruction from the club's manager, Harry Thompson.

Now Smith is luring the scouts of Blackpool, Reading and Watford. He is still on Sunderland's books for a £8,000 fee.

If Reading signed the player he would join Sammy Chung, another ex-Headington leader who has been with Reading for four seasons.

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Refuse to join West Bromwich Albion? Just what the Colchester left winger, 22-year-old Mike Grice, has done.

The Albion offer was turned down last week and was a sequel to a Colchester call by Albion chief Vic Buckingham.

He went to watch Coventry's Gordon Nutt, transfer-listed with a £12,000 tag, but saw him overshadowed by a gripping Grice performance.

The Colchester man finishes his National Service in three weeks and intends to resume as a draughtsman and play part-time soccer.

—(London Express Service).

Appleyard Spins The MCC To Victory

Adelaide, Nov. 2.

Bob Appleyard of Yorkshire spun the English MCC cricketers to victory by 21 runs over South Australia here today when he took five wickets for 46 runs.

At lunch today, MCC seemed in danger of defeat when South Australia had 100 for 3 wickets on the board, but Appleyard took four wickets for five runs in a spell of 2.6 overs to help dismiss South Australia for 152 runs and earn a narrow victory.

Final scores were:
MCC 246 and 181.
South Australia 254 and 152.

Set to get 174 runs for victory, South Australia batted brightly and at lunch needed 75 with seven wickets in hand. Soon after the interval, Tyson bowled Favell for 47 to make four down for 102. The fifth wicket fell at 127 and the remaining five tumbled in the space of ten runs.

This match has emphasised the poverty of English batting as pre-war stars gradually retire from the game.

Denis Compton, in his wonderful first innings century, alone looked capable of adopting an offensive attitude and with only three more matches before the first Test in Brisbane the batting failures of Edrich, Simpson, Graveney and Cowdrey are causing Hutton much anxiety.

Moreover, there is not much likelihood of Bedser being ready for the first Test which must be a consolation for Australia who also have their batting problems. With Bedser away the Australians may seize the chance to gain confidence.

TOOK THE HONOURS

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That Hutton is alive to the batting problems was shown by his announcement today that the team would have practice in Adelaide nets tomorrow before entraining for Melbourne.

With Les Favell in masterly mood today showing MCC the way to deal with any ball not of an accurate length and direction, South Australia looked set for a win at lunch when seven wickets remained and only 74 runs were required.

Happily for the MCC, Hutton never became flustered as the crisis developed. Little had gone right for the Englishmen, false strokes constantly earning precious runs and possible chances just being too wide to be accepted. But then came Appleyard's wreckage of the tail.

One passing feature was that Loader was more hostile. But Andrew, the wicket-keeper, has yet to settle down and his appearances are likely to be limited unless anything unforeseen happens to Godfrey Evans.

THE SCORES

MCC 246 and 181.
South Australia. 1st innings—254.
S. Australia, 2nd Inn.

L. Favell, b Tyson	47
D. Harris, c and b Loader	0
G. Hole, c McConnon, b Appleyard	10
C. Pinch, c Andrew, b Appleyard	9
P. Ridings, c Graveney, b McConnon	27
N. Densie, lbw, b Appleyard	18
G. Langley, b McConnon	23
R. Roxby, not out	0
J. Drennan, c Simpson, b Appleyard	1
K. Hormell, b Appleyard	2
J. Wilson, b Loader	7
Extras	7
Total	152

Wickets fell at 2, 42, 93, 102, 127, 142, 142, 144, 147.

Bowling Analysis

	O	M	R	W
Tyson	12	3	37	1
Loader	8.6	2	25	2
Appleyard	11	1	46	5
McConnon	8	0	37	2

Byes 5, leg-byes 1; no balls 1.—Reuter.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD

Brisbane, Nov. 2.

New South Wales, holders of the trophy, were credited with a first innings win by 64 runs in their Sheffield Shield match against Queensland today.

They carried their overnight score of 447 for seven, in reply to Queensland's 405, to 499 all out today, and Queensland scored 261 for the loss of four wickets in their second innings before play ended.

Brightest feature of Queensland's second innings was a not out 106 by Ken McKay in a big stand with Ron Archer (not out 75).—Reuter.

Tennis Interport With Macao This Week-end

F. M. Ribeiro of Recreio did extremely well, in view of his exhausting drive in the Motor Race Meeting in Macao over the week-end, in turning back L. J. Wade of Craigengower in three sets to earn the right to play B. Dhaber (CCC) for the No. 3 spot in the Colony Interport Tennis Singles side which meets Macao this week-end in Macao.

Dhaber was conceded a walk-over by Sam Sook and will play Ribeiro tomorrow at CRC.

The winner of the match this afternoon between Ernie Pereira and Joseph Hsu of Craigengower and Ho Wing-chen and Marsian Ma, will be the No. 2 pair for the Colony.

The following are the selections for the Colony Team (Subject to alterations):

Singles: No. 1—E. Saubolle; No. 2—C. A. Braun (unconfirmed) No. 3—Winner of Ribeiro v. Dhaber.

Doubles: E. Saubolle and David Tsai; No. 2—winner of Pereira/Hsu v. Ho/Ma.

The team will leave on Friday and will be engaged in the Interport on Saturday and Sunday.

LADIES' GOLF

Draw For The Taggart Cup

The first and second round of the Taggart Cup Tournament at Fanling will have to be played on or before Thursday, November 18.

The draw is as follows:

First Round

Mrs D Taggart v Mrs O. Gordon.

Second Round

N. McCann v P. Laroche; Y. T. Liang v I. Penn; D. Hunter v C. Hurden; D. Birtwhistle v D. Dawson-Grove; H. Coleman v J. Brown; A. Hayes v E. Wilson; D. Taplin v I. E. Leitch; P. Hawkins v. Winner of first round; E. Bidwell v A. Shoemaker; L. Harrison v M. Mackie; T. Wai v G. Collis; M. van der Touw v P. Coombs; C. Van Alst v B. Anderson; M. Hung v A. Ott; A. M. Brown v M. Turnbull; E. Goldman v M. Gray.

CONDITIONS

First and Second Round to be played on or before Thursday, November 18. Third Round to be played on or before Thursday, November 25, Quarterfinal to be played on or before Thursday, December 2, Semifinal to be played on or before Thursday, December 9 and Final on or before Thursday, December 16.

18 holes Match Play — New Course — ¾ difference in Handicap.

Notices have been posted announcing the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Helena May on Thursday, December 2. It is hoped that all members of the Ladies' Section will keep this date open and attend this meeting. The time is 5.30 p.m.

On Tuesday, November 9 Starting Time Lists will be on the first tee of the New Course. As times will no longer be drawn for Members going to Fanling on the Rail Bus, players are asked to sign up for a time upon their arrival at the Course. Players must be at Fanling to sign for a time and may not sign a time for players who have not yet arrived.

The Committee has approved alternate starting tees for all competitions, 12th or 15th. Players may start from either of these places, if they cannot get a suitable time at the first, but they must wait to start if other players are about to play from either of those tees.

OCTOBER RESULTS

The following are the results of competitions played at Fanling during October:

LGU Monthly Medal; October 5: Silver Division — Mrs A. Hayes (86—13=nett 73); Bronze Division — Mrs N. McCann (106—36=nett 70).

LGU Monthly Medal, October 19: Silver Division — Mrs A. Hayes (86—13=nett 73); Bronze Division — Mrs P. Hawkins (92—26=nett 66).

Captain's Cup Monthly Qualifier for October — Mrs E. Littlejohn (102—34=nett 68).

Stableford, October 20:

Old Course — Mrs L. H. Robinson — 35 points.

New Course — Mrs D. Taplin and Mrs F. Sprunger tied 37 points.

The October running medal played over the Old Course was won by Mrs J. Wai with an average of 79. Mrs P. Laroche being the winner over the New Course with an average of 70-2/3.

Other noteworthy scores in this competition on the New Course were:—Mrs L. Goldman average 71-2/3; Mrs D. L. Anderson average 73-2/3; Miss E. Wilson average 73-2/3; Mrs W. P. Birtwhistle average 74; Miss L. Aitken average 74-1/3; Mrs Y. T. Liang average 74-2/3.

The November Running competition is an Eclectic on the Old Course, a limit of 6 cards may be taken by the player during the month. This competition may not be played in conjunction with any other competition during that time. Players may use their cards for Handicap if they sign the Handicap book as well as the Eclectic competition book before starting play.

Members are asked to note that the Rail-Bus service on Tuesdays (Ladies' Day) will be discontinued as from to-day, the Bus will not run on November 9. The Club Lorry will until further notice meet trains leaving Kowloon at 8.32 and 10 a.m.

An Entry List is posted in the Ladies Club House inviting entries for the Qualifying Round of the Mitchell Plate which will be played on Monday, November 29, on the Old Course. Entries close for this event on Tuesday, November 24. A draw will be made for partners and this will be posted and published several days before the date of play. Starting times will be drawn at that time if entries are sufficient to warrant this.

A Match has been arranged between the Ladies and Army Officers on Wednesday, November 10. An Entry List is posted and it is hoped as many members as possible will enter for this event.

Queen's Colt A Doubtful Starter

Laurel, Maryland, Nov. 2.

British hopes of a Royal victory in tomorrow's Washington international race here received a setback today when Queen Elizabeth's Landau, developed a slightly infected heel.

Trainer Noel Murless told Reuter that no decision would be made whether to withdraw the Royal colt until after a veterinary examination later today.

Said Mr Murless: "It came on today. It's hard to tell how these things will develop."

Mr Murless, who is treating the infection himself, added: "We are hoping for the best."

SECOND SHOCK

This is the second eve-of-race shock as only 24 hours ago High Gun, the American favourite for this 65,000 dollars (£23,216) invitation classic, was injured in training and was withdrawn.

Earlier today Landau had been out in heavy rain for exercise, accompanied by the other English challenger, Mr Frank Dennis' King of the Tudors.

They had cantered over the heavy grass course and had opened up for one brief gallop during which onlookers said that King of the Tudors seemed to be going a little better than Landau.

If Landau is pronounced fit to run there will be five foreign-owned thoroughbreds in the select field of seven.

When this weight-for-age classic was inaugurated in 1952, Wilwyn won for Britain. The coveted prize went to France last year through Worden II.

In addition to the two English horses, the others bidding to achieve a "hat trick" of successes by overseas challengers will be Bamassa and Norman from France and Northern Gleam from Ireland.—Reuter.

Cycling Records Set By Italians

Milan, Nov. 2.

Luigi Proietta, of Italy, today bettered the world cycling track record for 100 kilometres (about 62 miles) when he clocked two hours, 34 minutes and 35 seconds, at an average speed of 38.614 kilometres an hour (24.1 miles an hour) here today.

The previous record, held by Italy's Ambrosini, was two hours, 38 minutes and 27.1 seconds.

The Italian rider Pizzali equalled the world record of 12 seconds or 200 metres from a flying start. This record was set up a few days ago by Pinarello, another Italian.—Reuter.

A Rich Field Of Sporting Activity Is Locally Not Even Marked Out For Cultivation

Says "N'TACA"

Hongkong has an enviable reputation in the world of sports, one of which it can be justly proud. The number of persons who give time, and effort to maintain and improve this standard is truly amazing for a place of its size. All the more reason, then, for my surprise to see that one of the Colony's richest prospective fields of sporting activity and fame is completely untilled, not even marked out for cultivation. I refer of course to Cycling.

The Colony is without doubt rich in potential cycling talent, the local boys having the strength, courage and endurance called for in such high degree by this Sport of Sports. All they lack is encouragement and opportunity.

In the road racing sphere, they are fairly well catered for, the main events held by the Army and RAF clubs providing fine training for similar races in world competition. The great lack is that of suitable track facilities. Only by consistent racing on tracks similar to those used in major events do our riders gain the experience necessary to enable them to compete on equal terms with riders of other nations.

The HKAAA is certainly doing a fine job in the promotion of track cycling events in conjunction with their own athletic meetings, and is to be highly commended on that score. But the type of track to be used, either grass or cinder, completely unbanked does not give them the chance they deserve.

There exists a crying need for a first-class cement or similar track, so tightly banked and not too big, one which could possibly be built around an existing running track. Of course the cost would be high, but is a cost which would be recouped, if not in cash, certainly in added lustre to the already sparkling reputation of Hongkong's sportsmen and sports leaders.

Properly presented and run, cycle track racing is one of the most exciting and spectacular of sporting events, a sure-fire crowd pleaser. There is no doubt that did such a track exist in the Colony there would be no lack of clubs and associations willing and eager to hire it for their own promotions, the revenue from which would pay at least in part, for the original outlay.

Is there any individual or body sufficiently interested in overall sport to make available such an addition to the Colony's sporting facilities?

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The question of whether or not the REME CC Team should be handicapped has aroused a veritable storm of interest, resulting in numerous telephone calls and letters being received on the subject, many of them from members of the non-cycling public. General consensus of opinion seems to be that handicapping would detract from rather than add to the interest taken by other riders, giving false results, and destroy much of the incentive. It is heart-warming to note that of the many letters received from regular opponents of the team, not one suggests handicapping.

ANOMALOUS POSITION

An anomalous position exists regarding the Colony and NTACA records for the 25 Miles Time Trial, in that the NTACA record is the faster. It was set up by Hurford, under NTACA rules, which allow private attempts to be made, and stands at 1-1-38. The present Colony record stands to the credit of Fey, the lone Dorset representative, with a 1-2-10 in last year's NTACA Championship event (A Colony record can only be established during actual competition).

It is time the heads of the various bodies got together and standardised these Rules. However, Rylance intends to do his bit towards straightening out the tangle by collecting both records at the first opportunity.

He had hard luck in his quest in the NTACA Championship event, when he punctured after a few very fast miles. He has another chance on Sunday, when both the Individual and the newly-gained Team records are in danger in the RAF Open 25 T.T. But Hurford, (this year's Championship winner in 1-2-45), Rolt of 7 Hussars and the three RAF shortmarkers, Phipps, Gower and Wilkinson, all intend to have a say in the matter. This should prove to be the fastest-ever event in the Colony.

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The NTACA Championship 25 T.T. resulted in an easy victory for the REME CC team, who took first, second and fourth places, setting up a new Colony and Association team record in the process. The rider to split the REME boys was again Rolt, who is getting really fit and will be a challenge to the best in a couple of weeks.

It is a pity that such a fine rider cannot obtain team support, especially as the Army Inter-Unit Team Championship events are coming up. His Unit appears to be short, not of riders of high enough calibre, but of cycles for them to ride. There is an opportunity here for an enthusiastic Sports Officer to make a name for himself.

KEEN SUPPORTER LOST

When Brig. R. W. Urquhart, DSO, left the Colony on Saturday last, the NTACA lost a keen and enthusiastic supporter as well as an active Chairman. It was his encouragement and assistance which made possible the formation of the Association, and as Chairman he attended many of the races, taking a keen interest in all the Association's activities.

His loss will be felt, not only by members of the NTACA, but also by members of other clubs, to whom he was a familiar and welcome figure at Open meetings. I know they will join me in wishing him the very best of good fortune wherever his next appointment may take him.

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In answer to a number of enquiries the present Colony Record for the New Territories Road Circuit is held by Gower, RAF Sai Wan, who rode magnificently to set up the time of 2-21-38 on September 24, just 48 hours after Hurford had put the figures at 2-25-11. Hurford's time still stands as an NTACA record. At least three riders expect to attack Gower's time in the next few weeks, but to better his figures over the 50.5 hilly miles will take the right day as well as the right rider.

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The "Kai Tak Exiles" hold an open friendly 32 miles Team Time Trial on Sunday last, over two laps of the Sek Kong Massed Start Circuit. Winning pair was Gower and Wilkinson, RAF Sai Wan, who beat the only REME entries, Rylance and Ayson, by 22 seconds in 1-23-10 on a hard afternoon. It is a pity the event was not more widely publicised, as it would have been good to see how well the SCAA lads could do against stiff opposition. We hope to see them on Sunday next at the "25."

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The Home season has ended, with Gibbons again a worthy winner of the BAR trophy. He will receive his award at the hands of one of the greatest living cyclists, the Frenchman Bobet, who this year completed one of the rarest "doubles" in Sport, winning both the 3,000 miles-long Tour de France and the World's Road Championship.

Both Harris and Peacock, World Sprint Champions, will spend the winter abroad, racing on Continental track. Peacock is to turn professional in the New Year, and is expected to ride for Rudge Cycles.

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This week's question. How do YOU train for road racing, on fixed wheel or with gears? And why?

STOP PRESS ITEM

An item of "STOP PRESS" News. It has often been said that "The hour brings forth the man," but in the case of Rylance and the 25 miles TT record it is the "Man bringing forth Under the Hour." Riding in the Pegasus CC Open 25 TT on Sunday, October 31, Rylance smashed all existing records, Colony and NTACA, and became the first rider in the history of Colony Cycling to beat the "Hour" for the distance.

His actual time was 59 minutes 24 seconds, timed by two watches, and watched by a large gallery of spectators who cheered him frantically over the last few hundred yards.

Conditions were good and a number of riders turned in their best times, one of the greatest improvements being that of Deeley, the diminutive rider from 40 Div Battle School, with his 1-4-04.

REME CC did more than provide the individual winner, they carried on with their work of winning team awards as well, in doing so setting up a new Colony Team record of 3-4-22, a six-minute beating of their own time put up on Wednesday last. But still no one wants them handicapped!

Espinosa Retains Orient Title

Osaka, Nov. 2

Bonnie Espinosa of the Philippines retained his Oriental lightweight boxing title tonight by defeating Katsumi Kosaka of Japan by a technical knock-out in the seventh round of a 12-round bout.

Kosaka started the fight in grand form but midway through the bout he received a cut on his eyelid and in the seventh round was forced to abandon the fight.

About 4,000 spectators watched the fight.—Reuter.

Choy And Tsui Win In Straight Sets

Choy Tin-kin and Tsui Wai-pui defeated F. K. Hu and V. T. Wang in straight sets when they met in the Colony Hardcourt Tennis Championships at Chinese Recreation Club yesterday afternoon. The scores were 7-5, 7-5, 6-2.

It was a close battle which went to 12 games in each of the first two sets, and it was only in the third that there was a measure of difference between the two couples.

This afternoon, in the second of the singles semi-finals, K. C. Dao clashes against Edwin Tsui for the right to meet Ip Koon-hung in the finals for the title.

Although veteran Dao can spot Edwin Tsui a number of years, his amazing ability to return everything sent over the net at him, may prove to be the deciding factor in this afternoon's match.

Tsui is a powerful player, especially in his overhead, but has been seen to relax his powers of concentration, and against such a player as Dao, this would prove fatal.

Rising Fast Wins Melbourne Cup

Melbourne, Nov. 2.

Rising Fast, the New Zealand gelding, won the Melbourne Cup run over two miles at Flemington today. Hellion was second and Gay Hellios third.

Rising Fast covered the distance in three minutes 23 seconds, winning by a length and a quarter.

Rising Fast, New Zealand's champion and a grandson of Epsom Derby winner Midday Sun, started at odds of 5 to 2. He was well back in the early stages of the two-mile race and Gay Hellios (200 to 1) led from the 10-furlong post into the straight.

But Rising Fast, who is a five-year-old gelding, put in a fine spurt to beat the fast finishing Hellion (7 to 1) by 1½ lengths.

Gay Hellios was half a neck further away third.

Rising Fast wins A£10,500 (£6,400).

The going was good.—Reuter.

It is a long overdue visitor who fills the spot of honour at the top of the Sports Parade this week, and for the first time this season it is a soccer player. Lance-Corporal Robson of the 1st Bn. King's Own Regiment has been the outstanding performer in the Army soccer side since the competitive programme opened six weeks ago and, apart from his skill as a player, his good sportsmanship and ready smile have made him a most popular figure with the followers of local football.....Chinese and non-Chinese alike.

Corporal Robson came to the Colony from Korea a few months ago and will be returning to the United Kingdom early in the new year to resume his football career with Workington in the English League Div. III (Northern Section).

His recent displays for the Army have been the subject of many favourable comments from all sections of the soccer public and his readiness to have a shot at goal makes him a good and profitable clubmate but a very dangerous opponent.

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The outstanding performance of Eddie Carvalho in winning the Macao Grande Prix has been received with much satisfaction by Army motorists with whom he is a popular figure.

Many Army motoring enthusiasts make frequent calls on Mr Carvalho's wide experience and his sound and willing advice has always been most beneficial to both competitive and pleasure-seeking motorists.

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hard on the heels of the recent visit of Jack Kramer and his fellow tennis professionals to the Colony comes news of the arrangements for the forthcoming Land Forces Championships, 1954.

This year the Championships will be held on December 10, 13, 14 and 15 and once again through the generous co-operation of the Hongkong Cricket Club all games will be played on their excellent courts at Chater Road.

In all, five competitions are planned. They are as follows:—

Open Men's Singles.
Open Men's Doubles.
Open Mixed Doubles.
Open Ladies' Singles.
Open Ladies' Doubles.

The eligibility clauses for the Championships are as follows. All regular and National Service soldiers of all ranks are eligible for the men's events, while all ranks of the nursing services, WRAC, Red Cross, WVS and wives and daughters of Army personnel now serving in Hongkong can enter for the Ladies' tournaments.

Matches will, in all cases except the semi-finals and finals of the Men's events, be played as the best of three sets. In the semi-finals and finals of the Men's events the best of five sets will be played.

An entry fee of $2 per person per event has been fixed and entries, together with the necessary fees, should be sent to Capt. H. Hurst, RAPC, Command Pay Office, HQLF by November 20.

Last year the Championships produced many excellent games and the organisers, with forthcoming Inter-Service and representative matches in mind, are hoping that there will be a big entry list for the 1954 competitions in order that they can review available talent for these important games that are due to be played.

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A bad defensive error in the final minute of the game against CAA at the Club Stadium on Sunday lost the Army 'B' side its unbeaten record in the Hongkong Football League.

The team has been playing some attractive football since the season started and there was plenty of confidence that it could keep on the winning way.

This defeat, however, should convince the players that there is no easy way to winning a League Championship; every game must be regarded as a 'big' game and territorial advantage must be turned into goals.

ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE

It will certainly be no fault of the Army if the HKAAA Novices Meeting at Boundary Street on Sunday next is not a great success.

The response to the call for entries has been most enthusiastic and promises well for the athletic season ahead. In all 62 entries were received from soldiers and I am told that the organisers are most appreciative of the support that has been given to this opening show of the season.

And now here is more early news for athletes. The fourth Annual 10-Mile Road Race and a 2½-Mile Road Walk of the HKAAA will be held on Sunday, November 28.

The 10-Mile Road Race will have individual and team competitions. Teams will comprise four runners and the entry fee will be $10 per team. The individual entry fee is $3. I am asked to stress that several teams may be entered from the same club or association, and team members may also compete for the individual award.

Entry forms have been distributed but if any unit with intending competitors has difficulty in obtaining forms they should contact the SOPT, at HQLF.

Entries must be completed and forwarded to the SOPT (Note: Not to the HKAAA direct) not later than 4 p.m. on Friday, November 12.

The route is as follows:—Start in Mission Road, then via Tin Kwong Road, Ma Tau Wai Road, Prince Edward Road, Waterloo Road, and Argyle Street. Both events will start at 2.45 p.m. and competitors in the walking event will make one lap of the circuit and those in the run will make four laps.

Assembly will be at the pavilion of the King George V School and both events will finish in front of the school buildings.

BOXING SHOW

It is certain that Army boxing enthusiasts will be out in force on Friday when the big Charity show is staged at the Southorn Playground. It will be a disappointment that neither L/Cpl. Rollinson nor L/Cpl. Reaney — two of our most experienced boxers — will be taking part.

These two members of the King's Regiment had already accepted an earlier invitation to box at Macao on November 7 and obviously could not be expected to take on another hard contest a couple of days in advance.

However, one very special contest has been arranged. This brings together Cpl. Thompson, RASC att. 1st. Bn. North Staffordshire Regt., and Kgmna. Kelly of the 1st Bn. King's Regt.

Thompson was the Scottish Junior Flyweight Champion in 1951, Southern Command Featherweight Champion in 1952 and later the same year he won the MELF; ISBA Featherweight Championship.

Kelly of course needs no introduction to Hongkong fans. He has given many fine displays in local rings and won the FARELF Featherweight Championships in 1953 and 1954.

This bout goes on at the featherweight limit and seems certain to set the standard for the whole show.

OFF TO A GOOD START

Local football fans in all sections of the community will be pleased to hear that ex-soldier and Army soccer star Alex Fraser has got off to a good start in his resumed career as a professional footballer.

He signed all the necessary papers as soon as he got home and is now a full-time professional with Carlisle United.

In a letter to a friend the ex-Colony captain says that so far he is finding it a little difficult to get used to the heavy, muddy grounds after the sun-baked pitches of Hongkong. Fraser was a great favourite with team-mates, opponents and spectators alike, and they will no doubt watch his future career with interest.

Dower Must First Fight Marsden

London, Nov. 2.

Dai Dower of Wales, the new British Empire Flyweight Champion, will have to meet Eric Marsden (St Helens) for the vacant British flyweight title by December 31.

This was announced by the British Boxing Board of Control today, after a meeting of the emergency committee, held to consider a letter from Mr Nat Seller, manager of Dai Dower, in which he stated that he must withdraw Dower from this proposed contest.

The reason given by Seller was that Dower had a chance to fight Yoshio Shirai of Japan, the holder of the world title, in London next March.

After a meeting lasting an hour and a half, the President of the Board, Mr Onslow Fane, said that the Stewards, after consideration of the facts, were unable to find adequate grounds for Dower to withdraw, and decided that the original decision of the Board with regard to this contest must stand.—France-Presse.

"ATI" SHIELD BOWLS

The following have been selected to represent the Filipino Club in the "ATI" Shield Lawn Bowls match against Craigengower Cricket Club on Sunday, November 7 at the Filipino Club, King's Park. The match commences at 3 p.m.

C.M. Franco, C.A.S. Pereira, W. C. Ogier, Dr V.N. Atienza; M.R. Pereira, F. Tan, D.L. Edwards, R. Bass; M.T. Nunes, A.H. Sousa, H.A.V. Ribeiro, L.S. Silva; L.A. Perse, R. Castro, S.M. Humjahn, J. T. Cotton; L.M. Neves, A.J. Coelho, H.A. Noronha, W.J. Howard; A. Bachoo, M.A. Rahman, V.A. Neves, H.M.V. Ribeiro.

Reserves.—I.S. Castro, F. Rodrigues and M.T. Hull.

MICHAEL RUDDY Reports

ROMANCE STILL FLOURISHES AND SOME COUPLES DO STAY MARRIED IN HOLLYWOOD

Amid the welter of divorces and separations, it's pleased to note that romance still flourishes in Hollywood and that family life goes on and on.

After church last Sunday, I had coffee with Robert Young and his wife, celebrating 21 years of marriage, with their four daughters.

Coffee on the sunkissed terrace under the olive trees is a local custom. You meet **Van Johnson, Fred Astaire, the Michael Wildings, Cary Grant, Greer Garson** and directors, writers and producers in the film industry who live in Beverly Hills. And not a soul mentions movies.

Tyrone Power and **Linda Christian** announced the end of their marriage. **Jane Wyman** told me that she and third husband Freddie Karger had separated for the fourth time. Norma Jean DiMaggio got her divorce. Who's she? **Marilyn Monroe, Martha Vickers, Mickey Rooney's** third wife, announced that her $250 weekly cheque from Mickey was being attached by the U.S. Government for $7,900 unpaid income taxes. "If Mickey would just pay me the $20,000 arrears in alimony I could pay it easily," said Martha. Mickey's comment: "Well, the arrears piled up when I wasn't working."

But **Debbie Reynolds**, MGM's youngest star, said she and **Eddie Fisher**, the lad with the golden voice, will marry next June. And **Vera-Ellen**, the dancer, told me she and Victor Rothschild of the banking family would marry soon. Which leaves Richard Gully, Jack L. Warner's social secretary, out in the cold on the Riviera where he's looking after Mrs Warner in the little Warner villa near Cannes.

"You doubted me when I said last year I wanted several children," **Elizabeth Taylor** said over the 'phone. "Now will you believe me? We expect our second baby March 1st. Michael Howard was born January 6 last year."

I saw a preview of Mrs Wilding's last film, "The Last Time I Saw Paris". As the capricious, wilful American girl in Paris who marries ex-GI **Van Johnson**, she's very good and I think you will enjoy the film which is like a pleasant week-end visit to Paris.

COCKTAILS WITH MAGNANI

Cocktails with **Anna Magnani** at the Rodeo Room. The unglamorous actress from Rome was an hour late at the reception for her. Turned out she went shopping for groceries at the Farmers' Market, she explained through her interpreter-companion.

To me in Italian, she said "I like to eat and to cook—myself." She has a grand sense of humour, whipped off her glasses whenever the score of photographers came over to shoot her, didn't care how she looked.

Producer Hal Wallis told me, "'Rose Tattoo' was written for her, so we brought her here. The setting of the story is in New Orleans but we shall film it in Florida beginning next week. **Burt Lancaster** meets us at Key West on November 8.

At the party, gentle, demure **Marissa Pavan**, twin sister of Pier Angeli who plays Signora Magnani's daughter.

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Sundae Party: After the preview of "Pfftt", (British title as yet undecided) a riotous comedy starring **Judy Holliday, Jack Lemmon, Jack Carson** and **Kim Novak**, a new blonde for whom I predict a zooming career, Columbia publicity chief gave a party in the ice-cream shop across the road from the Westwood cinema. Pleasant to see **Joan Crawford, Kim Novak, Cleo Moore** eating banana splits and cocktails.

Tall, friendly, delightfully curved, Kim Novak reminds one of **Jean Harlow** in her heyday. She spent a day posing for photographer Baron, shooting the cinema queens for "The Sunday Graphic". Kim poses easily, relaxedly told us, "Oh, I want to go to London. I want to travel. All I've seen is the good old USA." Her hobby, unusual for an American girl, cycling. She owns a lightweight Raleigh, treasures it.

CONSULAR BANQUET

Michael Gillett, HBM Consul-General in Los Angeles, gave a banquet in honour of **Jean Simmons** and **Stewart Granger**, to mark the selection of "Beau Brummel" as the film for the Command Performance on November 15 in London. By this time, Jean and her husband will be in London for the event and also to co-star in "Deadlock", based on the W.W. Jacobs story. "Interruption," with Arthur Lubin directing at the Shepperton Studios.

It's Jean's first visit home in four years. She's thrilled and excited about it.

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I watched **Marilyn Monroe** do a scene with **Tom Ewell**, a top comedian, in "The Seven Year Itch". Marilyn slipped into a blue silk dressing-gown before she drove her convertible Cadillac to the Cafe de Paris for lunch with Hugh French, her agent, who guards her like a Secret Service man.

I asked Marilyn what her plans are. Hugh French grunted, nudged her. Marilyn giggled, "Don't tickle me, Hugh," she said. "Well, I'm gonna have a rest" to me.

To an aggressive newsman who wanted to know if she'd like to take **Susan Hayward's** place in 'Soldier of Fortune', "First of all, I'd like to read the script. Sure, I'd like to go to Hongkong and I'd like to work with Mr Gable," she whispered. "But I wanta rest." Marilyn therefore will rest.

ZANUCK'S HEADACHE

Darryl Zanuck is having a headache getting a star for "Lord Vanity", which is **Robert Wagner's** next with **Clifton Webb** as his mentor. Wagner is learning a British accent by having a British actor stay with him eight hours daily. Whom do they want to co-star: **Lana Turner** or **Ava Gardner** or **Audrey Hepburn** or **Grace Kelly.**

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On the boulevard: **Edward G. Robinson** in his white sportscar, enormous cigar (same as Sir Winston smokes) in corner of his mouth. **Zsa Zsa Gabor**, parcels surrounding her as if she'd been Christmas shopping, waiting for her limousine.

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And a note from **Shirley Temple** in San Francisco: "While my husband, **George Black**, works at Stanford, I'm going to do interior decorating. I have three commissions for next month."

Orchids to **Ginger Rogers** for her fine performance on television in "Tonight at 8.30."

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"AGAFENOR"

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Dr. Dorothy's Job Takes Her All Over The World

London, Nov. 2.

Dr Dorothy Roberts, president of the Women's Union, is finding that her job is taking her all over the world.

She has recently returned from the Anglican Congress in Minneapolis, U.S.A., and will shortly be off to the West Indies for two months to spread the work of her movement.

She has little time to spend in her Tufton Street, Westminster, home with her husband, the Rt. Rev. Basil C. Roberts.

THE LAST PENNY

Speaking at a Mothers' Union rally in Worthing, Sussex, Dr Roberts said: "I am going to try to bring some inspiration and help to members of the union in the West Indies."

In 1952 she made a similar visit, with her husband, to the Far East. In Borneo she had to wade through swamps to reach some of the remote jungle villages.

But Dr Roberts is used to warm climates — her husband was once Bishop of Singapore.

Dr Roberts is now appealing for funds to send more Mothers' Union workers overseas. She says there are 44 workers in all parts of the world but there is still need for more.

"Nine bishops are waiting for women helpers — but the overseas fund has already pledged its last penny."

—(London Express Service).

Motorcyclists Ride Through Church

Saragossa, Spain, Nov. 2.

Motorcyclists, for the first time in Spain and possibly in Europe, rode their machines through a church here at a recent festival.

Several hundred cyclists and motorcyclists took part in the procession of sporting associations through the famous Cathedral of Nuestra Senora Del Pilar (Our Lady of the Pillar) during the festival of the Virgin of the Pillar, patroness of Spain.

KIND OF INCENSE

Commenting afterwards on the innovation, the Catholic newspaper "Ya" wrote: "The smoke from the exhausts of the motorcycles formed a new kind of incense in the Cathedral. Some of the motorcyclists bowed their head as they passed the statue of the Virgin. (The statue stands on a marble pillar — hence the name).

"One expert rider stood up and genuflected without losing control of his machine.

"Still another rider had his mother riding pillion and she leaned forward and traced the sign of the Cross on her son's forehead as they passed the statue.

"One elderly Canon of the Cathedral, when he heard Radio Zaragoza broadcasting an invitation to members of the cycling and motorcycling clubs to ride their machines through the Cathedral during the procession of sportsmen and women, was so perturbed that he hastened to find out whether such an unusual spectacle was permitted by the laws of the Catholic Church. He was reassured on this point.

BEAUTIFUL SIGHT

"The procession was a beautiful sight as, almost at midnight, the sports groups, led by ski enthusiasts carrying their skis on their shoulders, passed through the Cathedral. It was a devout and moving sight.

"Outside, in the square, the famous bicycle racer, Poblet, read a message of homage from Spanish sports enthusiasts to the Virgin of the Pillar. Ba Hamontes, who won the Mountain Prize in the Tour de France, was also present."—China Mail Special.

Hotel Named After Queen

Montreal, Nov. 2.

The Canadian National Railways' 1,200-room hotel, now under construction in Montreal, will be named the Queen Elizabeth, the CNR President, Mr Donald Gordon, announced tonight.

"Her Majesty the Queen has been graciously pleased to grant permission that the new Canadian National Railways Hotel in Montreal should be called the Queen Elizabeth," Mr Gordon was informed in a letter from the Governor-General, Vincent Massey.

The hotel, scheduled to be completed in 1957, will form part of a huge CNR development project in Central Montreal.—United Press.

Bahawalpur Cabinet Dismissed

Karachi, Nov. 2.

The Head of the wealthy cotton state of Bahawalpur in Northern Pakistan (population 1,820,000) dismissed the State Cabinet today and turned over the administration to his Government-appointed "adviser," Mr A. P. Khan.

Two other princely states are expected to hand over their administration to Government nominees shortly, it was learned. They are Khaipur with a population of 320,000 and Kalat (population 282,945.)

Dismissal of the four-member Bahawalpur Cabinet and dissolution of the Assembly followed a hurried conference in Karachi with Pakistan's Governor-General, Mr Ghulam Mohammed.

Later, it was officially stated that a situation had arisen "in which the State Government could not carry on in accordance with the provisions of the constitution."

Since acceding to Pakistan in 1947, all three states have been moving towards constitutional government with their rulers only enjoying nominal powers. Their rulers are understood to have agreed to integration with neighbouring provinces.—Reuter.

Mail Notices

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Burma, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Thailand, 3 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4
By Air
Japan, 11 a.m.
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A. & Canada, 1 p.m.
Philippines, N. Borneo, 6 p.m.
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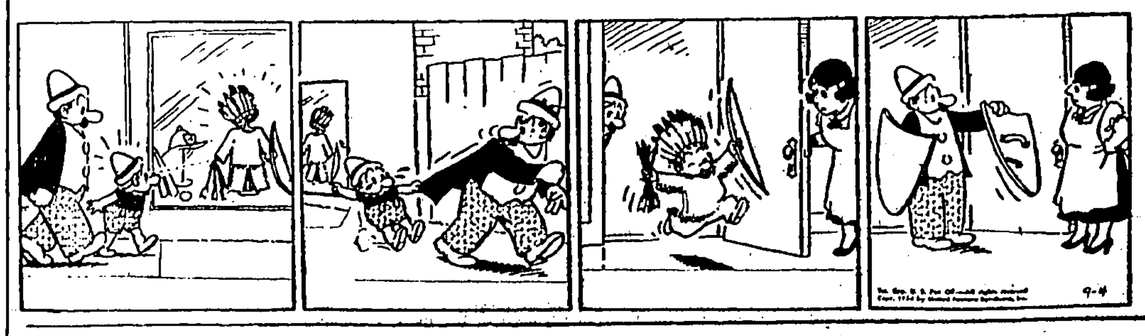

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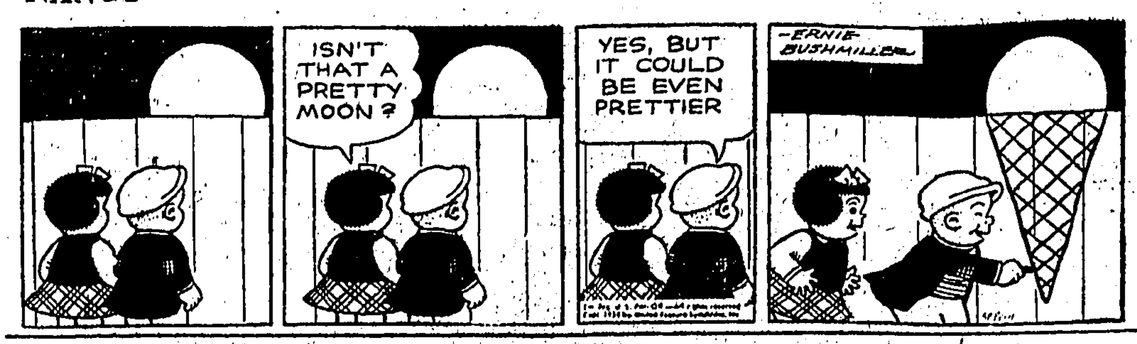

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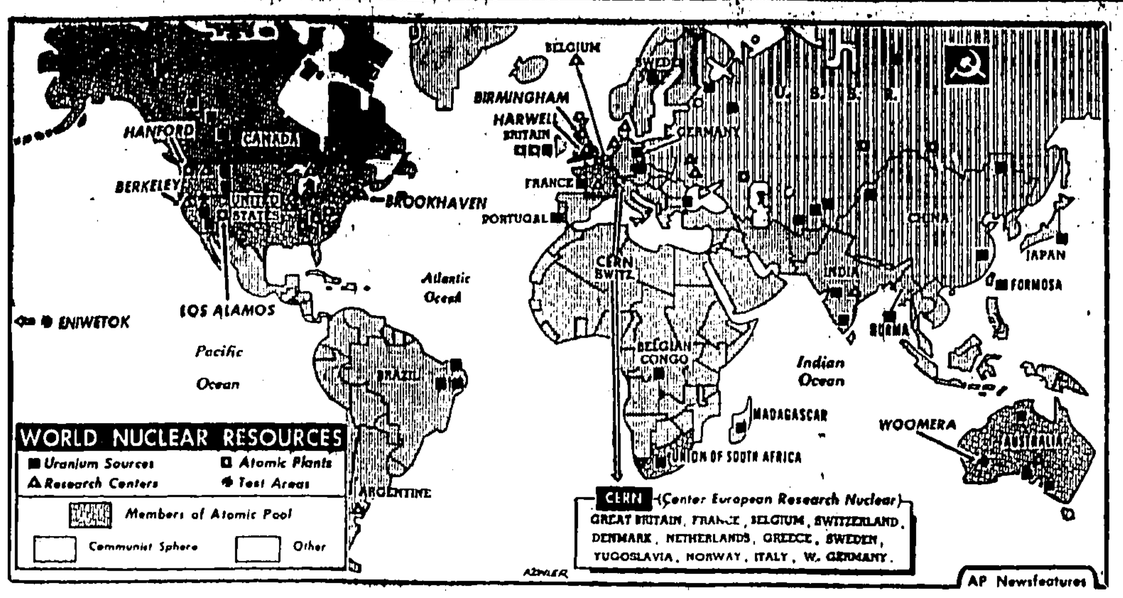

60 COUNTRIES DISCUSS WORLD ATOMIC POOL IN THE UNITED NATIONS

By A. I. GOLDBERG
Associated Press Writer

In the language of the nuclear age, a reactor plant becomes critical when it begins to convert to power.

President Eisenhower's atoms-for-peace machinery, proposed for the first time last December in the United Nations, appears to be nearing that stage late in 1954, after some jockeying with the Russians.

Nearly 11 months after the President first proposed his idea, the plan began to strike off sparks in the U N.

It went before the General Assembly's main political committee for a 60-nation roundtable discussion. Debates like this took the question far beyond the inconclusive two-way U.S.-Soviet talks and the eight-nation conference that decided the United States to go ahead with an international atomic agency whether the Russians like it or not.

These eight countries are paced by the United States, leader in the project to set up an international training station to begin converting atoms from use in bombs and weapons to garden tools, doctors' instruments and industrial gauges—their chief importance so far.

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The others are Britain, which experts consider at least 18 months ahead of the United States in production of atomic power; Belgium, Australia and South Africa, three of the most prolific producers of uranium in the world; and Canada, France and Portugal; all important because they have raw materials or know-how in atomic progress.

The Soviet Union claims it has actually begun to use power from a nuclear reactor station—location undisclosed—for industry. All that is really known of Soviet achievements is the use of radioisotopes in medicine.

And while nations debate how to use the atom for power which, it is realised, will not be available so quickly nor cheaply as hoped last year, a number of scientists are quietly experimenting with solar power which they say may outstrip the atom, both in low cost and in effectiveness.

The three B's of the atomic world up to now have been Birmingham, in England, Brookhaven, L.I., and Berkeley, Calif. They have the most powerful synchrotrons or atom smashers.

Their machinery may be overshadowed some day by the equipment being installed near Geneva by CERN—which stands for Centre European Research Nucleaire—under the auspices of UNESCO and boasting among its 12 members three countries which are considered charter members in any U.S.-sponsored agency. They are Britain, France and Belgium.

Others are Switzerland, Denmark, the Netherlands, Greece, Sweden, Italy, Norway, Yugoslavia and West Germany.

CERN's work will be entirely theoretical: it will train scientists in nuclear theory with the most powerful atom-smashing machine in the world but it won't have a smidgen of fissionable material.

The organisation was set up at a U.S. suggestion that atomic theory be made available in Europe on a co-operative basis to supplement the work being done on the American continent. Director of CERN is the Swiss-born American scientist Felix Bloch, former director of Stanford's Institute of Physics.

France has a low-power atom peace pile at work. Belgium hopes to have a reactor, with the British and United States helping, at work by 1956. Italy proposes to have a nuclear research pilot plant near Milan. Britain announced its intention to build its second energy plant the same day the United States said it would build its first.

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The University of Japan plans a cyclotron to produce medical isotopes. Germany hopes to have one in Munich when and if the Western allies end their occupation. Up until the London nine-power pact which succeeded EDC, it was intended that Germany would be allowed to mine up to nine tons of uranium from the Fichtel mountains area.

India, which has thorium-rich sands it sells to the United States, has been building a uranium process plant and hoped to have a reactor plant by 1957. Britain offered to build Pakistan a nuclear laboratory. South Africa, mining vast quantities of uranium out of old gold holdings, hopes to have a cyclotron at the University of Pretoria in about two years.

In the United States, the University of North Carolina and Penn State included reactors in their programmes and 20 other schools were reported dickering to build their own. University of Utah classes talked of experimenting with a locomotive-atom plant design.

President Eisenhower in his 1953 proposals spoke of providing power to under-developed countries. In the year that followed scientists generally agreed that cheap nuclear power is some ways off. British scientists said that even with Britain's need to conserve coal it appeared nuclear power at reasonable cost would not be possible before 1990, if then.

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The U.S. State Department said in October that their experts find nuclear power plants too costly to build and operate. As for the atom-propelled planes U.S. and French scientists were reported studying, one British scientist said that if such a heavy machine ever got off the ground it would be "a white elephant in the air."

But the Eisenhower-Dulles proposals widened the scope of training atomic scientists at a reactor station to be set up in the United States, with cancer a prime target, and with radioactive tracers as a powerful weapon against diseases that threaten humans, animals and plant life.

The same atomic research, that resulted in weed killers that sort out broadleaved grasses for destruction, is already providing tracers that show the speed of phosphorus as a fertiliser in orchards and of guano on pineapple plantations.

Atoms are making plastics mouldable, kill rust disease in oats, make cortisone radioactive to fight arthritis, trace wear of pistons in engines, preserve food in spoilage, test the strength of wool fibres, and may point the way to cheaper production of common acids by oxidation. Atomic tracers are used to measure liquid contents of tanks, to regulate flow of different weight oils in pipe lines, and to keep machines cutting paper or metal on beam.

It was this sort of thing, and more, that the Eisenhower-Dulles programme sought to accomplish with blessings from the U.N.

Gutted Guildhall Being Restored

London, Nov. 2.

The city's ancient 15th century Guildhall, gutted by Hitler's bombs in the blitz of London 14 years ago, will again soon witness the glittering pageantry of great state occasions.

At a Press conference today Sir Giles Scott, the architect, described the completed work of restoration carried out on the magnificent chamber in which Lord Mayors and City Corporations have for centuries honoured Kings and Presidents, statesmen and heroes.

Workmen and craftsmen have laboured for a year to make the Hall ready in time for next week's Lord Mayor's Banquet, when a new Mayor takes over the highest civic appointment in the Commonwealth.

The work, costing an estimated £275,000, has included the building of a new oak roof over the scorched battered hall that was left after the bombing raid on December 29, 1940.

For this, stone arches have been introduced to replace the Victorian hammer-beam roof, destroyed by the bombs. It was the fourth roof to be erected on the Guildhall's old mediaeval halls.

SOOT AND WATER

At today's conference inside the actual hall, Sir Giles Scott revealed that the old stone of the walls and the new stone of the arches was made to blend by the simple application of soot and water.

New stained glass has also been fitted, patterned with scrolls bearing the names of more than 600 Lord Mayors who have held office in the City's long eventful history.

High up between the arches of the room, the arms of the various City Livery Companies are emblazoned around the hall. At the east and west ends, exquisitely carved oak panels have been installed and an additional gallery has been built for radio and television commentators describing great state banquets, and receptions.

The stone floor, partly worked with lead designs, was lifted to permit the laying of a central heating system. Another touch of modernity is seen in the array of carefully disguised loudspeakers around the walls blending skilfully with the stonework.

Restored too are the sculpture groups in memory of great men in Britain's history—Admiral Nelson, victor of the Battle of Trafalgar, the Duke of Wellington, general and statesman, and William Pitt, who led Britain when she faced the hazards of the Napoleonic era.

BRONZE CANDELABRA

From the high roof hang numerous bronze candelabra with a newly designed concealed lighting system built to illuminate the magnificent array of gold plate displayed on state occasions.

On Thursday the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Noel Bowater will preside for the first time at a meeting of the Court of Common Council—the City Council—in the restored Guildhall.—China Mail Special.

Clunies Ross Will Still Be 'King'

Canberra, Nov. 2.

Mr John Clunies Ross, 25-year-old "White King" of the Cocos Keeling islands, will retain his rights when Britain hands over the islands to Australian administration.

This was announced here today by Mr Richard Casey, Minister for External Affairs when he introduced a "Preliminary" bill requesting the British Parliament to pass the Act enabling the Queen to transfer the administration of the Cocos Keeling islands from Singapore to Australia. This bill also "consents" to such action.

Mr John Clunies Ross is the great-great-grandson of the Scot who first landed on the islands in 1825. His family was granted perpetual lease of the islands by Queen Victoria.

Mr Casey said the legitimate rule of the islands would not be prejudiced.

The 27 islands which have a predominantly Malay population of about 1,200 could assume great importance in wartime, Mr Casey said. Britain agreed to the transfer of the islands after Australian development of the airstrip there, he added.

The Queen stayed with the Clunies Ross family when she visited the islands in April during her Commonwealth tour.—Reuter.

TRADE AND COMMERCE SECTION

U.S. Tobacco Men Annoyed About P.I. Controls

By JAMES F. CUNNINGHAM

Washington, Nov. 2.

The American tobacco industry has strongly urged the United States trade negotiations to insist on the Philippines agreement to a ban on import quotas by that country, the United Press learned today.

Recent Philippines legislation which subjects tobacco to such import quotas, the American tobacco men charged, "violates the spirit and intent" of the Filipino-American trade agreement of 1946.

These recommendations were formally presented to the Chairman, Mr James M. Langley, and his United States trade delegation by joint action of the Tobacco Export Association, the Purely and Dark Leaf Tobacco Export Association and Tobacco Associates, Inc.

Tobacco Associates, which represents six principal grower groups, also presented a separate statement containing two other recommendations:

1. That the United States liberalise its 1946 quota agreement on imports of Philippines tobacco. The agreement calls for that $6,500,000 pound quota to be diminished by five per cent annually, starting next year. Tobacco Associates wants the "diminishing" clause cancelled.

2. That the Philippines "give reciprocal preferential treatment for the export to them of cigar leaf wrapper, produced in the United States, which type of tobacco is not produced in the Philippine Islands and is needed there by their cigar manufacturers."

In the broader joint protest against Philippines quota controls on tobacco imports, the American tobacco men said:

IMPORT QUOTAS

"If this principle of establishing import quotas can be applied legally by the Philippine Republic within the framework of the trade agreement, it is entirely possible for the Philippines to close its country to all American products.

"The duty-free provisions of the agreement become sterile and of no effect by the limitation and exclusion of American imports by the imposition of quotas.

"The quota device is strangling the flow of United States tobacco to a traditional market in the Philippines."

"Should the United States adopt a similar policy and, at the same time, establish a policy of increasing domestic production," the statement said, "most Philippine products would be completely eliminated from the United States market in a short time.

NEW AGREEMENT

"We strongly urge that the new trade agreement include a prohibition against the application of quotas by either country except as specially set out in the agreement. If the principle of quotas is accepted as a fundamental part of the new trade agreement, we strongly recommend that the United States Congress insist that quotas be limited to a minimum yearly figure based on historical data. In the case of leaf tobacco . . . not less than $25,000,000 pounds."

The Philippines quotas for 1955 under the present import control law would be about $7,000,000.

The control law, the Americans contended, has not yet been felt in the Philippines, but will soon. Cigarette makers there, they said, have been utilising large stocks built up before the law went into effect.

"However," they said, "recent reports indicate that manufacturers' stocks are now very much depleted and that cigarette production must be curtailed in the near future unless adequate imports are permitted.—United Press.

World Rubber Markets

Singapore, Nov. 2.

The rubber market opened steadier on better overseas advices and offtake but dealing was on a small side. Trade showed little interest but there was no selling pressure. Future closings:

No. 1 rubber per lb.	Nov.	78⅝-78¾
	Dec.	78½-78⅝
	Jan.	unquoted
No. 2 rubber per lb.	Nov.	78½-78⅝
No. 3 "	"	77½-77¾
No. 4 "	"	70½-70¾
Spot rubber unbaled		78⅛-78⅜
Blanket crepe		73½-74¼
No. 1 pale crepe		87-88

LONDON

The market was very steady. No 1 Rss spot quoted at 24½ pence per lb. Prices:

No. 1 Rss spot	24½-24¾
Settlement house term:	
Dec.	23⅝-23¾
Jan./Mar.	23⅝-23⅞
Apr./June	23-23¼
July/Sept.	22¾-23
Oct./Dec.	22½-22¾
General markets, cif basis ports:	
Nov.	23 3/16-23 5/16
Dec.	23⅛-23¼
Jan.	23⅛-23⅜
Estate crepe thin	25¾

London Foreign Exchange

London, Nov. 2.

New York	2.79-15/16-2.80-1/16
Montreal	2.71⅞-2.72⅛
Amsterdam	10.62½-10.62¾
Oslo	20.01¾-20.02¼
Paris	0801¼-0811¼
Stockholm	14.50-14.50½
West Marks	11.70⅝-11.70¾
Zurich	12.24⅝-12.24¾

Others were unchanged

The U.S. exchange markets were closed today.—United Press

LONDON LEAD AND ZINC

London, Nov. 2.

Lead was quiet while zinc and copper were steady in the morning session. In the afternoon, zinc was inactive while copper was quiet. Closing prices in the afternoon unofficial session, in sterling per long ton, were as follows:

	buyers	sellers
Copper		
Spot	278	279
3-month	260½	261
Lead		
Nov.	110	112
Feb.	100¾	100⅞
Zinc		
Nov.	81¼	81½
Feb.	81¼	81½

—United Press.

LONDON PEPPER MARKET

London, Nov. 2.

The pepper market was easier. White Sarawak was quoted at 4s 1½d sellers and Black Sarawak was at 2s 11½d sellers.—United Press.

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Nov. 2.

The morning tin market was barely steady. Closing prices in sterling per long ton were as follows:

Spot	[illegible]
3 months	[illegible]

—United Press.

American Wool Legislation

Torrington, Wyoming, Nov. 2.

The Secretary of Agriculture, Ezra Benson, told a news conference the Government's new wool bill will eliminate using the Government as a "last ditch buyer" and enable producers to "sell wool in the market place."

He said the programme, which goes into effect on April 1, 1955, will take the Government out of the business of buying, storing and selling wool.

Mr Benson said the incentive level—not to exceed 110 per cent of parity—was set "with a view to encouraging production of 300,000,000 pounds of wool annually. When this production is reached, support will be at such level between 60 and 90 per cent of parity as will encourage an annual output of 360,000,000 pounds."—United Press.

AMERICAN TRAVEL SPENDING

San Francisco, Nov. 2.

Americans may spend $2,500,000,000 annually for foreign travel in the near future, a Bahamas Travel expert said today, but that reservoir of wealth is awaiting the proper stimulus to release it.

Mr Stafford L. Sands, Chairman of the Nassau Bahamas, Development Board, told the National Convention of the American Society Travel Agents and World Travel Congress that money spent on foreign travel has not kept pace with the increase in the national income in the United States.

Mr Sands said Americans last year spent for foreign travel an average of 36 cents out of every 100 they netted, compared with 55 cents out of every 100 disposable income in 1938.

A travel boom Mr Sands stated, "awaits only the stimulus of an effective promotional campaign to touch it off."—United Press.

Cheap Rice For The Philippines

Manila, Nov. 2.

A rice dealer here who returned on Monday night from Pakistan said he would offer the sale of unlimited quantities of the cereal to the National Rice and Corn Corporation at a price never before offered by any of his competitors.

Emilio Galang, President of the Philippine Association of Rice Importers, disclosed he has 20,000 tons of the "cheap" rice from Pakistan ready for delivery to the National Rice and Corn Corporation at any time.

"I cannot tell you how much for obvious reasons," Galang said, "but definitely my price will be within the reach of anyone."

Galang returned by a PAL plane from Hongkong after conducting a one-month survey of the rice supply in Thailand, Burma and Pakistan. — United Press.

Canada Looking To Japan

Ottawa, Nov. 2.

Japan may become Canada's chief agricultural export market, Canadian Finance Minister Walter Harris indicated in a speech before an Ontario Federation of Agriculture today.

According to the experts, said Mr Harris, "Japan may in the long term rival the United Kingdom as our chief export market for wheat and perhaps other products."

Noting that Japan was already one of Canada's major export markets for food and raw materials, Mr Harris added, "one only needs to think of the way Japan has developed to realise some of the potentialities."—Franco-Presse.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per $1)	[illegible]
Sterling notes (per £1)	11.[illegible]
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	14.50
Siam baht (per 100)	26.50
Singapore (Straits)	1.30
Indo-China piastres (per 100)	8.[illegible]

Canadian Grain Prices

Winnipeg, Nov. 2.

Canadian wheat exports prices, Northern No. 4 was priced at 62⅞ cents per bushel; No. 5 was at 157⅞.

Grain markets in the United States were closed today.

Prices of grain futures at Winnipeg closed today in cents per bushel as follows:—

Oats	
Dec.	07½
May	84½
July	81¾
Rye	
Dec.	120
May	130-130½
July	129¾
Barley	
Dec.	[illegible]
May	[illegible]
July	[illegible]
Flaxseed	
Dec.	276½
May	277¾
July	278

—United Press.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to $1,270,986.90. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES	
BANKS				
HK Bank	1830	1850	20	@ 1840
East Asia	202			
INSURANCES				
Underwriters	8.10	1.30		
DOCKS, ETC.				
K. Wharf	71.50	100	@ 70	
Dock	22.00	1000	@ 22.00	
		500	@ 22.00	
Provident (O)	14.10	14.20	1500	@ 14.20
			500	@ 13.90
Wheelock	7.00	7.05	12500	@ 7.75
			2500	@ 7.00
			2000	@ 7.05
LAND, ETC				
HK Hotel	13.40	13.60	500	@ 13.20
			500	@ 13.30
			1000	@ 13.40
			3000	@ 13.50
			2000	@ 13.40
			1100	@ 13.50
			500	@ 13.50
			4500	@ 13.60
			1500	@ 13.50
			2000	@ 13.40
			4500	@ 13.50
HK Land	59.50	60	500	@ 59
			100	@ 59.50
S'hai Land	1.40	1.50	1000	@ 1.45
Humphreys	21.10	21.30	500	@ 21.30
Realty	2.10	2.15	10000	@ 2.125
UTILITIES				
Tram	18.70	19	900	@ 18.90
			1900	@ 18.80
Star Ferry	133	136		
Yaumati Ferry	155	158	200	@ 156
C. Light (O)	16.30	16.50	8000	@ 16.50
			2000	@ 16.40
C. Light (N)	13.20	13.40	1500	@ 13.30
Electric	34½	34¾	1550	@ 34.50
			800	@ 34.75
Macao Elec.	10.90			
Telephone	29½	29.80	1016	@ 29.40
			1500	@ 29.50
INDUSTRIALS				
Cement	34		200	@ 34.25
			500	@ 34.50
Rope			500	@ 17
STORES, ETC.				
Dairy	20.10	20.40	3000	@ 20.20
Watson	17.60	18	500	@ 17.80
L. Crawford	23.90		800	@ 24
COTTONS				
Textile Corpn	7	7.10	5000	@ 7.10
			1000	@ 7.05
Nanyang	10.20	10.80	3750	@ 10.20
MISCELLANEOUS				
Yangtsze	5.00		2500	@ 5.05
Allied	4.125		1000	@ 4.15
			1000	@ 4.125

German Car Exports To America

Washington, Nov. 2.

Officials of the Automobile Manufacturers Association said today that the German Volkswagen has greatly increased in popularity among foreign automobiles being imported into the United States this year.

During the month of June Volkswagen led all other imports, although it trailed the English-made Jaguar for the total imports during the first six months of the year.

During June there were 537 Volkswagens imported, 305 Jaguars, 302 MGS, 241 Austin-Healeys and lesser numbers of others.

The rise in Volkswagen popularity is shown by comparison with total 1953 registrations which showed Volkswagen down in seventh place.—United Press.

BRADFORD WOOL TOP MARKET

Bradford, Nov. 2.

Lorries are racing from Bradford to the ports to bring back the wool which has been tied up by the strike and wool sorters, hitherto on short time, are back on full time, not to mention "voluntary" overtime. The top market is much more absorbed in all this than it is in tops. To arouse interest prices have again been lowered as follows:

70's "A"	145	pence per lb.
64's "A"	120	"
64's "B"	120	"
60's super	110	"
58's super	110	"
56's super	99	"
50's super	80	"

—United Press.

Liverpool Cotton

Future closings, American middling cotton, 15/16 inch, in pence per lb. were as follows:

Oct./Nov.	[illegible]
Dec./Jan.	[illegible]
Mar./Apr.	[illegible]
May/June	[illegible]
July/Aug.	[illegible]

Official values for spot cottons include:

American middling 15/16th inch [illegible]

Others were unchanged.—United Press.

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Narriman's Mother To Handle Divorce

Lausanne, Nov. 2.

Matronly Mrs Assila Sadek, mother of ex-Queen Narriman of Egypt, declared today, "I am going to handle Narriman's divorce."

"I'll get moving as soon as we return to Egypt," she said. Narriman, recovering at a hillside clinic from a "delicate" operation she underwent last month, announced three days ago she and her second husband, Alexandria Dr Adham el Nakeeb had agreed to separate and get a divorce as quickly as possible.

In Egypt Dr Nakeeb said he knew nothing of such an arrangement.

"Nonsense," snapped Mrs Sadek, when informed of the statement of her son-in-law.

ON THE ROCKS

"He knows the marriage is on the rock, and he did agree that Narriman go to Switzerland didn't he?"

Mrs Sadek refused to discuss ways and means of getting the divorce for her daughter, the former wife of King Farouk.

But she seemed to be certain that the divorce will have to be pronounced by the Egyptian authorities.

Narriman is a resident of Egypt, she pointed out, and therefore cannot get a divorce in any other Western European country.

"I wish people would leave us alone a bit," Mrs Sadek added. "Before we can get on with the divorce plans, Narriman has to get well again. No use troubling her too much with it now."

Narriman left her bed briefly for the first time yesterday.—United Press.

The Queen Says 'Thanks For Hot Dogs'

New York, Nov. 2.

Queen Elizabeth has acknowledged a gift of "hot dogs" sent by a New York caterer to "commemorate the 15th anniversary of the first time hot dogs were ever eaten by members of the British Royal Family."

Mr William Black said he had received her thanks for 100 frankfurters and rolls to go with them which he sent by air to London for the Queen.

Fifteen years ago the late King George VI and Queen Elizabeth (now the Queen Mother) ate hot dogs when they were guests at Hyde Park, New York, of the late President and Mrs Roosevelt.—China Mail Special.

Fined $300 For Wasting Water

Pleading guilty to charges of wasting water and using a rubber hose without the authority of the Waterworks Department Lee Sum-hung, a 25-year-old building construction foreman, was fined $300 by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning.

According to the Prosecution the offence took place yesterday at 5.20 p.m. at a building under construction, Robinson Road. Some 100 feet of rubber hose was ordered to be confiscated.

Missing Navy Plane:

Oil Patch Sighted

Bermuda, Nov. 2.

One of the planes searching for the American Navy Super-Constellation, missing since Sunday, with 42 men, women and children aboard, reported today it had sighted a three square mile oil patch 350 miles north-east of Bermuda.

A seaplane was ordered at once to the area to report on whether there were any signs of the plane, which took off from Patuxent River naval air station in Maryland on Saturday for Port Lyautey, Africa.

The Super-Constellation was last heard of 800 miles off Cape May, New Jersey.—Reuter.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Uranium Found In A Sydney Railway Cutting?

From H. Kendall Wood

Sydney, (By Airmail).

Signs of uranium in a Sydney railway makes it all too easy and makes us wonder where we are going to get geiger counter reactions next.

Maybe you read about it....a man, who is going to do some amateur prospecting up north during his holidays, buys a geiger counter in Sydney. It's a new toy so he switches it on in the electric train on the way home to a city suburb to see "if it works"....the train goes into a cutting and the counter begins ticking like mad, keeps it up until the train gets past.

All sorts of experts are now trying to track it down with more complicated instruments, admit that they are getting radio-active readings. They warn, however, that it could come from the ballast used in the tracks, from mortar between bricks—from almost anything.

Is the original discoverer disheartened? Not he. He has staked out a mining claim which includes the cutting. Says that maybe he won't have to go far—after all for his mining claim.

THE 1956 GAMES

The 1956 Olympic Games might cost a small fortune to organise and run, but the Committee is hoping to get at least a few bob of it back.

A total of 1,300,000 seats, ranging in price from 6/ to £3.3. will be available. Box office arrangements will open in this country in April although there will be nothing on the overseas market for sometime.

Banks and airline companies will mainly handle the tickets, but tics will be on sale at 5,000 places throughout the Commonwealth. Six hundred branch offices will be opened in New Zealand.

The number of "dead-heads," of course, will be fairly substantial. International and Australian Olympic officials as well as competitors will have reserved seats and accommodation will be provided for about 800 pressmen and broadcasters.

PAT ON THE BACK

The Australian radio manufacturers got something of a pat on the back this week when the British Government placed a £250,000 order with an Australian firm for special portable radio sets.

The sets, prototypes of which have been battle-tested in Malaya, are tiny two-way radios which can be worn in a pouch by troops in action.

The Minister for Defence Production, Sir Eric Harrison, said that the firm concerned—Amalgamated Wireless, the Army and the Department of Supply—had designed and developed the sets.

THE SPIT BRIDGE

A new bridge over an arm of Sydney Harbour—at The Spit—which should have been finished last Monday week according to the time limit in the contract, will not be finished for at least another three years.

Almost from the start the work has dragged, but a strike over the last few weeks has stopped all work.

The bridge is being built by an English firm—the Cleverland Bridge and Engineering Company—which must feel that any money it makes out of this will be well earned.

There's another bridge being built over another arm, and although that doesn't seem to have been actually hailed by strikes, it has been going on so long that it is getting into the category of the Eastern Suburbs railway.

SEA WATER IRRIGATION

Professor J P Baxter, deputy chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, told farmers last week that de-salted sea water might eventually be used to irrigate Australia's interior—even though it did sound like a dream today.

He believed it was almost sure to happen within the next 100 years.

Professor Baxter told the Federal Conference of the Primary Producers' Union that water was one of Australia's real problems.

"I believe that this problem can be solved by de-salting sea water and delivering it into the interior."

"It sounds like a dream, but the power is in the sunshine which has only got to be converted into power to transport the water inland."

He quoted experiments with solar energy in the United States where it was found that one square yard of sunshine could produce the equivalent of 50 watts.

Professor Baxter said it would take about 10 years before Australia was producing power from uranium.

"Taking a long shot on present indications we might expect to find uranium which could produce as much power and perhaps more than the whole of our coal resources," he said.

TRAFALGAR DAY HEADACHE

The Navy is beginning to wonder if it is not wiser to remain the Silent Service and leave propaganda to the other arms of the Services.

Trafalgar Day, which is becoming more popular each year—was celebrated last Saturday when the Navy Department threw open the Garden Island establishment in Sydney.

About 45,000 people swarmed into the depot and caused hundreds of pounds worth of damage to naval equipment.

It became a pushing and shoving afternoon. Roped off areas marked "Dangerous—No Admittance" were disregarded and only hard work by officers and ratings prevented serious injury.

Guards tried to form orderly queues of people waiting to get aboard the aircraft carrier, Vengeance, but the gangways were mobbed and extra guards had to be called.

Security men confiscated 78 cameras and 56 children reported to the "missing" officer.

Pity we can't have these panics organised, for the graving dock and all that is going on at Garden Island these days is full of interest.

LABOUR PARTY ROW

There are all the signs that one of these bust-ups which sweep the Australian Labour Party every decade or so is about to erupt again.

The Federal Leader, Doc Evatt, easily won the first round—as generally tipped—but it is almost certain that he will disappear from the scene when the showdown comes.

In the Caucus row last week Labour members had the unique experience of seeing the deputy leader, Mr Calwell, voting against his chief.

The cardinal rule of the ALP is loyalty to the elected leaders and Calwell's actions alone indicate the tremors which are now shaking the Party.

But just as a fine old bust-up is sure, so is one other thing—the Labour Party will emerge just as strong as ever. It always does. Famous Australian politicians have left or been moved from the Australian Labour Party but it always goes on as the most powerful single political party in the Commonwealth.

CARS FOR NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand is to get the first shipment of Australia's own car—the Holden.

Shipment will be about one per cent of the Holden output for the rest of this year and 1955—some hundreds of cars.

The Holden has captured the Australian motoring imagination and they far outweigh all other makes on Australian roads. Even though mass production methods have been achieved production is still nine to 12 months behind Australian demand.

The announcement that the Holden would be exported was made at a South Australian dinner at which 600 manufacturers attended. The Prime Minister, Mr Menzies, who was the guest said it was the largest gathering of manufacturers he had addressed anywhere in the world.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

"Would you girls like some delicious devilled-egg sandwiches my wife packed for my lunch? I have to go out this noon on business!"

Reporter On Trial For Murder

The discovery of the partly nude body of a young Chinese woman in a room in the Monmouth Apartments, Monmouth Terrace, Kennedy Road, on the morning of July 31 last was related to a Jury before Mr Justice J. Reynolds at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when Lam Kim-fung, 24, described as a newspaper reporter, faced trial on a charge of murder of Chiu Pik-chun, alias Luk Sze.

Accused, who is represented by Mr R. W. S. Winter, instructed by Mr Victor Y. F. Lam, of Messrs Brutton and Co., pleaded not guilty.

The Prosecution was conducted by Mr J. W. D. Hobley, Crown Counsel, assisted by Div. Det.-Insp. N. Reynolds, of Eastern Police Station.

When a Jury of six men and one woman was empanelled, Mr Justice Reynolds asked them if any of their number objected through conscientious reasons to serving on a case where conviction carried the capital punishment.

INQUIRY EXPLAINED

Two men and the woman stood up, and the rest of the Jury followed suit.

Observing this, his Lordship remarked that possibly the Jury had misunderstood him. As they were aware, he said, they had been empanelled to serve in a case where the charge was murder. "It is an unpleasant duty which has to be performed by the citizens of this Colony, and no one wishes or likes to serve on such a Jury," he continued. "What I am asking you is that if you have a conscientious objection, that is to say, if the offence is proved in this case, would your conscience prevent you from bringing in a proper verdict?"

A Chinese juror informed the Court he had no religious scruples against returning a verdict, but he did not like to serve on the Jury.

His objection was over-ruled, the Court holding that the juror had not advanced any reasonable objection of which the Court could take cognisance.

TWO EXCUSED

A foreign woman juror and another Chinese juror both said they objected on conscientious grounds, the woman adding that she objected to capital punishment.

The Court excused both from serving and two other jurors were empanelled in their place. Neither of these two offered any objection.

The reconstituted Jury again comprised six men and one woman.

Opening the case for the Prosecution, Mr Hobley said that about 11.25 a.m. on July 31 a room-boy at the Monmouth Apartments was anxious to carry on with his work of cleaning out the rooms. He knocked at the door of Room 203 and receiving no answer he opened the door himself and entered. As soon as he got inside, he saw lying on the floor between the bed and the wall the body of a Chinese woman, clothed only in a pair of black knickers. He realised something was wrong and went out to fetch a policeman.

FOUND DEAD

The body was sent to Queen Mary Hospital and was found to be dead on arrival.

About midnight on July 30, Mr Hobley went on, a man and a woman went to the Monmouth Apartments. The room-boy who found the body was on duty as reception clerk. The couple booked Room 203. The room-boy would say he is unable to recognise the man but he could describe the clothes he wore, and this description was similar to the clothing accused wore.

Around 6.25 a.m. on July 31, the man who had booked the room asked to be let out of Monmouth Apartments. He went out through a grill door.

Accused arrived at his own home, 391 Queen's Road East, first floor, about 6.30 a.m. that day, having stayed out all night.

About 6.20 p.m. on July 31, accused entered Central Police Station charge-room and told Sub-Insp. Chiu Hon-chun, who was present with Sgt Cheng, that he had murdered his wife. He was immediately cautioned, and then went on to make a statement. He was taken into custody and on the arrival of Inspector Reynolds and Mr W. Todd, ADCI (Hongkong), was charged with the murder of Chiu Pik-chun. He made a further statement.

PRODUCED A SHIRT

After that, at accused's own request, he was taken to his home by the Police. There he produced a shirt, a letter and a cloth belt. The shirt was subsequently identified by the room-boy as similar to that worn by the man who had booked Room 203.

A post-mortem on the body of deceased was carried out by Dr T. C. Pang, Police Surgeon, on August 1. He found that the cause of death was asphixia due to manual strangulation.

Mr Hobley told the Jury that the deceased was the accused's second wife. There would be evidence called that in June, 1953, accused brought the girl home and introduced her to his mother and his first wife as his second wife. The accused and the deceased were not living together from April this year and were not altogether happy.

It was the Crown case, said the Prosecutor, that this murder was the culmination of their difficulties.

The trial is proceeding.

Top Hat Cure For Colds

London, Nov. 2.

A doctor writing in November's issue of the magazine, "Family Doctor," describes the "top hat" cure for a cold.

"You go to bed with a top hat and a bottle of whisky. You throw the top hat over the bed post and drink whisky until you see two top hats."

Failing whisky and a top hat, he favours a hot black currant drink.—China Mail Special.

Southern Playground Exhibition Opened

O.A.G. APPEALS FOR MORE SOCIAL WELFARE WORKERS

Emphasising the importance of personal service as well as the material equipment and funds which make possible the maintenance and development of social welfare work in the Colony, His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Mr R. B. Black, C.M.G., O.B.E., said he expected there may be many who would feel impelled to offer, in addition to their interest, their personal services.

He was speaking at the opening of the Social Welfare Exhibition at the War Memorial Centre, Southern Playground this morning.

He expressed the hope that the Exhibition would show clearly to the public of Hongkong the extent of the social welfare activities undertaken by both voluntary organisations and by Government in the Colony, and the happy relations that exist between voluntary bodies and Government.

It was Government's objective, he said, to encourage the development of voluntary effort. There was always more than enough to do for those who offered their services as partners in the common task.

The Exhibition, jointly organised by the Social Welfare Office and the Hongkong Council of Social Service, marks the seventh anniversary of the establishment of the Social Welfare Office. As well as being generally informative to the public, the Exhibition demonstrates the preventive and remedial work already being carried out in the Colony.

Addressing the gathering Mr Black said:

"I very much hope that this Exhibition will demonstrate clearly to the public of Hongkong, first the extent of the social welfare activities in the Colony undertaken both by voluntary organisations and by Government, and secondly the happy relations that exist between the voluntary bodies and Government."

PERSONAL SERVICE

"This visual evidence of the Colony's social welfare work must certainly be more persuasive than any words of mine can possibly be, and I hope that those who come to see this Exhibition will remain to admire and, when they leave, will do so with a better knowledge and understanding of the social welfare work which goes on unobtrusively, from day to day, without any particular publicity, receiving its impulse from the sense of social responsibility which, fortunately for us here, so many in the Colony possess.

"When I say many possess it I do not mean that we have all the social workers that we need. As I have said previously and elsewhere, subscriptions, while invaluable and indeed essential, are not by themselves sufficient; we need personal service as well. Material equipment and the funds which make both maintenance and development practicable are most important, but of supreme importance is manpower, always manpower, and so my expectation is that amongst those who have stayed to admire and departed with a better knowledge and understanding of social welfare work, there may be many who will feel impelled to offer their personal services in addition to their interest.

"This Exhibition is being organised jointly by the Government Social Welfare Office and the Hongkong Council of Social Service, and it marks the Seventh Anniversary of the establishment of the Social Welfare Office.

"Now, the Hongkong Council of Social Service to which Government makes a subvention, consists of the representatives of 27 voluntary organisations, two Co-opted Members and 40 Associated Members, and their meetings are attended by representatives of the Medical and Labour Departments of Government and the Social Welfare Office, in the capacity of observers, Father Mansfield presides. One of the principal aims of the Council is to co-ordinate social welfare activities in Hongkong and it is their aim that this Exhibition, as well as being informative for the general public, will enable those already concerned with social welfare work to realise their common interests and to see the extent of the preventive and remedial work which is already being carried out in this Colony."

DISTINCTIVE FEATURE

"A distinctive feature of the social welfare work being carried out in Hongkong is the close and friendly relationship which exists between official and unofficial welfare workers. It is important to note this particularly because such happy relations do not always exist in other territories. We would all be very startled indeed if we saw Father Howatson and Miss Dorothy Lee arriving by separate transport in Silver Mine Bay, stepping ashore at different parts of the beach and proceeding to the Camp independently, haughtily ignoring one another.

"Our social welfare workers do not sit over against one another in separate camps, sulking in their tents, nursing imaginary grievances, or enlarging such grievances as do exist disproportionately beyond their real significance. I cannot imagine Mr Keen, or any members of his staff, ever being regarded as commissars on the one hand, or exclusively heaven-born on the other. They are like their opposite numbers in the voluntary agencies, hard-working men and women who have a dynamic to impel them on their way, because of their belief in the value of the work they are doing.

"The present Exhibition expresses this spirit, and it is in every sense a combined effort between the voluntary bodies and Government in order to put before the public a picture showing the whole range of social welfare work in Hongkong."

VOLUNTARY EFFORT

"Some of the voluntary agencies have been serving our community for generations, ministering to those in need long before Government entered the field of welfare work, and it is Government's objective to encourage the development of voluntary effort. There is always more than enough to do for those who offer their services as partners in the common task, difficult for social welfare workers at any time, and in any place, but aggravated for us here in Hongkong when our problems are studied against the background of the immense pressure of population in the Colony and the general depression in the standard of living arising from our trading difficulties.

"Lastly, we must bear in mind that social welfare work is not just a question of turning out on the occasion of an emergency. There is no doubt that the Social Welfare Department has done excellent work in this sphere, rendered necessary by the large and disastrous fires which have brought so much misery and loss to Hongkong. I believe that during the quarter July 1-September 30, more than four million free meals were issued for emergency relief alone. With the assistance of voluntary agencies including the Kaifongs, relief has been given readily and efficiently, and I would like to mention the fact that club children were roped in to assist and did so by undertaking the task of distributing powdered milk to the babies of fire victims.

"All this is spectacular and necessary, but the plain fact is that, although emergency relief has its proper place in the welfare picture, it is only a part of the whole and, in some ways, even an interruption which dislocates for a while the normal functioning of social welfare work, the latter ordinarily means the routine carrying into effect, from day to day, of the projects planned as a result of a positive and constructive approach to the community's social welfare needs under normal conditions.

"I hope the Exhibition will be successful in achieving its ends and in stimulating the interest of the public and I now have much pleasure in declaring it open."

His Excellency was welcomed by Mr Kenneth Keen, on his arrival at the Southern Playground.

Entertainment at the exhibition was provided by the children of the Salvation Army, King's Park Children's Home Band. Also, members of the Boys' and Girls' Club performed dances and physical exercises to the large gathering.

Representatives of All the Social Welfare organisations attended and at the conclusion of the entertainment, went on a tour of the exhibition, which covered all the aspects of the welfare work done in the Colony.

Apart from the exhibition itself there will be five displays put on by children from orphanages, boys' and girls' clubs and other organisations. Displays of dancing, gymnastics and music, four social and entertainment programmes will be held each day for the next four days.

South African Editor Arrives In Hongkong

Mr Horace Flather, Editor of the influential South African newspaper, the Star, published in Johannesburg, arrived here with Mrs Flather in the mv Straat Makassar from Durban this morning on a pleasure and orientation cruise to the Far East.

A former Fleet Street newspaperman who has been editing newspapers in South Africa for the last 17 years, Mr Flather said the free world must help Japan economically and try to keep her in the Western camp.

"I can't help feeling that one of the keys to the Far East is Japan," said Mr Flather, "we must try to keep her in the Western side of the world in outlook." He added that it would be very difficult for the free world to give her the economic assistance Japan required as there was still a considerable amount of prejudice against her, but it would be the wiser policy to give her economic aid.

Mr Flather said he stopped over in Vietnam and found a state of apathy exist among the Vietnamese. "They just don't care who controls the country," he said, adding that the Americans there were doing their best to stiffen their morale.

Mr Flather, who has been in South Africa for the last 30 years, emphasised the growing importance of South Africa. He said that South Africa now has 70 per cent of the world's available supply of uranium and that the United States is spending millions of pounds mining it "not merely for destructive purposes but also for the peaceful use of atomic energy in the future."

Mr and Mrs Flather will resume their cruise in the Straat Makassar to Japan on Friday.

Sentimental Journey For Queen Mother

Hyde Park, New York, Nov. 2.

Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, made a sentimental journey today to lunch with Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt on the Roosevelt family estate here.

The last time she visited Mrs Roosevelt she was there with King George VI at the invitation of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The estate and family mansion have now been opened to the public. So the two widows lunched at a cottage—about two miles from the mansion—where Mrs Roosevelt now lives.

The Queen Mother drove 70 miles from New York past crowds gathering at polling booths for election day voting in pouring rain.—Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.

5 p.m. Time Signal and Programme Summary; 5.03, Lucky Dip — Variety Requests presented by Margherita (Studio); 6.59; Weather Report; 7, Time Signal and World News (London Relay); 7.10, News Talk (London Relay) or Special Announcements; 7.15, "Fleet Fingers" Geoffrey Thornley at the Piano (Studio); 7.30, "Twenty Questions" from the Concert Hall of Radio Hongkong; Question Master: Patrick Butler. The Team: Faith Butler, Dorothy Scales, John Little, Stan Lloyd, Paddy Sheehan; 8, Orchestra of the Week — Stockholm Radio Symphony Orchestra; 8.30, Interview with Commander Edward Whitehead by Donald Brooke (Recorded); 8.41, Concert by Ruby Woo (Piano) and Esther Chow (Mezzo-soprano) acc. by Moya Rea (Concert Hall); 9.15, Wednesday Theatre, "Judge Jeffreys" by Roger Suddards; Produced by Janet Tomblin for the Hongkong Stage Club (Concert Hall); 10.15, Favourite Tango—Mantovani and his Orchestra; 10.30, One Night Stand, Ralph Marterie and his Orchestra; 10.59, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal, Radio News Reel (London Relay); 11.15, Goodnight Music; God Save The Queen; 11.30, Close Down.

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